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# It is a gun, Ridley tells Commons

'Great success' for Customs

By Robin Oakley and Melinda Wittstock

Somers because the company

had been worried that it was

Customs officials have been in no doubt of the

The Customs and Excise

Department has received calls

been part of the gua project

firm Aster Holdings con-ficient that its Belgian subsid-iary had extensive impossibility Dr. Gerald Bull, the man

believed to have designed the gun; who was murdered in

understood the gun propellant was destined for Jordan. Astra

said it became suspicious

about the contract shortly after acquiring PRB and re-

ported the matter to the Government, even though all

normal export documentation

was in place.

Mr. Ridley told the Com-mons that Walter Somers and

Brussels last month.

it claimed to be".

EIGHT Iraq-bound steel tubes impounded at Teesport last week were part of a massive gm. Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Sec-retary of State for Trade and Industry, told the Commons yesterday.

"The Government is entirely satisfied that these tabes form part of a gun," he said, congratulating the Customs operation which identified and seized the components of a "largecalibre armament, albeit of a scale outside anything

previously experienced".

Mr Ridley insisted that parts already exported could not form a full-sized gun and called the Customs action "a great success on behalf of this

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His Commons statement raised as many questions as it settled, especially about when the Government first knew about the possible nature of the Iraqi order.

The clear implication of Mr. Ridley's comments was that the first the Government had known was when Customs seized the steel tubes, but Sar Hai Miller, Conservative MP Sir Bromsgrove, said he had warned the Department of Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Defence "and another spency" more than two years ago of the possible nature of the steel order placed with Watter Somers. seized the steel tubes, but Sir

The company had offered to withdraw from the contract or go ahead with it and allow it to be monthered, Sir Hal said. He

#### Fears of 'stagflation'

Rising labour costs coupled with a fall in manufacturing output are fuelling lears of stagilation - sharply rising inflation and stagnant growth. Figures show factory production in February just 0.6 per cent up on a year earlier.

A slowdown in the improvement of manufacturing workers' productivity means that the cost in wages per unit of output is rising..... Page 25

#### Jail defiance

The seven remaining rioters at Strangeways prison continued their mocking contempt of the authorities for the 18th day. They hurled abuse and masonry and when hoses were aimed at one man he stripped and washed with a bar of soap. The amborities are holding to their policy of negotiation and

Show goes on

The Royal Opera House has budgeted for a £2 million deficit in the current year but will stage one of its most ambitious programmes in a dramatic gesture towards the Government and the Arts

#### Moscow win

a signal victory against the establishment when the Supreme Soviet voted against removing their immunity mended an inquiry into the

#### Rich pickings

Prize money for the Wimbledon tennis championships; this year will be £3,874,450, an increase of 23 per cent on 1989. The men's and women's singles champions will collect £230,000 and £207,000 ... Page 46

INDEX Court & social.

Sheffield Forgemasters had LEFT-WING moves to force that he never listened to them. union to mount a campaign of mass non-payment of the poll tax were rejected by the leadership yesterday. However, the new general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, Mr Dong McAvoy, was jeered by about half the delegates to its annual conference in Bournemouth. Hard-left members gave him a slow handclap as he Two Soviet investigators won vowed to maintain opposition to an illegal strike, and to use striké action only as a last errupted by delegates shouting

. had repeated the offer a year approached the Departmen A Trade and Industry in 1988 Later Sir Hal said-on Chanto ask whether export licences nel 4 Sesen O'clock News that he had approached the two ministries on behalf of Walter were required for metal tubes they were making for Iraq and for Dr Bull's Space Research Corporation in Belgium.

"On the information available at that time, it was decided that the export li-cences were not needed for these goods. "Until a few days ago, my

being asked to make some-thing military. The company's operations director, a skilled metallurgist, "felt that the work in question was not what it claimed to he?" department had no knowledge MPs remained puzzled, too, that the goods were designed about who give the briefing that threw doubt on Customs reports that the tabes were part of a gua. Mr Gordon Brown, the shadow Secretary of State for Trade who said the to form part of a gun. The Government recently became aware of an Iraqi project to develop a long-range gun based on designs developed by the late Dr Gerald Bull. The "embairassing episode" had made the Government an "object of ridicule", said Mr Ridley owed Customs men an goods seized at Teesport are consistent with what is known of Dr Bull's development. The Government is entirely satapology for the way they had been subjected to "a week of hostile busings and off-theisfied that these tubes form

part of a gun." He congratulated Costoms for stopping their export, but Mr Brown said the Government had been "deceived and satended are of the tubes they duped on a grand scale", seized from the Gur Mariner, allowing through a weapon which sailed for Iraq last whose use could affect renight, although they believe it gional and even world

will be weeks before they can stability collect sufficient evidence to He cha He charged the Department of Trade and Industry with slackness and complacency of almost criminal dimenfrom firms other than those already identified, womied that work in which they have been involved could have sions", since it had had access to drawings and technical details and had known since 1988 of the involvement of Dr Buil's Space Research

Mr Martin O'Neill, Labour's defence spokesman, last night tabled questions to the Ministry of Defence for answer on Monday asking if the department had any information on the steel tubes order or Astra said that PRB, the on Dr Bull's firm before April

loss making company it ac-quired six months ago, had a contract for "unusual types of Meanwhile in Baghdad, representatives of 13 Arab gun propellant for very large guns" using fechnical spec-fications defined by the Ad-vance Technology Institute of Athens, which is known to act countries started a two-day emergency meeting to express support for Iraq against "a feverish mass media cam paign to justify a new Israeli aggression against its scientific installations under the pretext as agents for fraq and to be closely linked with Dr.Bulk that it possessed nuclear The PRB contract, signed in 1988, was not with Iraq. It is

President Saddam Hussein of Iraq, who earlier this month said it would use chemical weapons to "burn half of Israel" if it were attacked again, said yesterday that Iraq would attack any non-Arab country that struck at any part of the Arab world.

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#### McAvoy jeered over rejection of strike

By David Tytler and Douglas Broom

Moderates countered with a standing ovation.

Mr McAvoy said the fight for better salaries and protec-tion of jobs would not be won by a national strike at present. Britain's second-largest teaching union, the National Association of Schoolmas-ters/Association of Women Teachers, decided in conference at Scarborough to call

a strike in the autumn unless

the Government restored pay

negotiating rights.



#### Strike vote by power workers

By Ray Clancy

THE Government's programme to privatize electricity industry could be affected by the decision yesterday of a third of Britain's power workers to vote for strike action over pay.

A dispute may lead to threats of disruption to supplies during the Government's campaign to move the industry into the private sector, flotation is expected in

Members of the EETPU, the biggest union involved in pay negotiations, voted by 12,771 to 8,184 in favour of a strike. In the same secret ballot they also voted over-

whelmingly to take other ac-tion short of a strike. In the ballot union members were asked to vote on an all-out strike and on industrial action short of a strike. The result in favour of both gives the union the option of using the threat of a strike but the action will probably begin

with an overtime ban. The result of ballots of the other three unions representing the rest of the country's power workers are likely today and a similar outcome is expected. Tomorrow leaders. from all four engineering unions are meeting to discuss a joint strategy. Last month union negotiators rejected an improved 8.5 per cent offer NUT conference, page 2 | improved 8.5 pe Strike call, page 2 | from employers.

# **Revolt fading** on Hong Kong

Kong by granting passports to 50,000 heads of household and their families is expected to clear its first hurdle in the Commons today.

The Conservative backbench revolt over the proposals was heading for defeat last night as it appeared that a combination of wavering Tory rebels, one of whose leaders is Mr Norman Tebbit, and support from opposition party MPs would be sufficient to give the Government a

comfortable majority. Although there were widely varying estimates at Westminster over the number of Conservative MPs who would carry through their threats to rebel in tonight's second read-



Mr Tebbit: Co-ordinating

THE Government's plan to tionality (Hong Kong) Bill, boost confidence in Hong there was agreement between the Government whips and the leaders of the revolt that the Government would win the day. A majority of up to 40 or even more is expected.

However, a closer vote is expected immediately afterwards when an Opposition motion to take all the detailed committee stage of the Bill on the floor of the Commons, a move that would clog up parliamentary business for weeks, is voted upon.

A defeat on that motion,

which remained unlikely last night despite the possibility of a bigger rebei vote, would be damaging for the Government's hopes of getting the

legislation through.

Today's full-day debate promises to be an impassioned affair with the Government under attack from some of its hitherto most loyal supporters and the Labour front-bench also facing criti-cism from its backbenchers for its line of opposing the Bill.
At least one Labour frontbench spokesman is understood to be preparing to defy the leadership line, provoking the risk of dismissal by Mr Neil Kinnock

Between 20 and 30 Labour MPs, mainly on the far left but including some senior figures such as Mr Peter Shore, are likely to abstain rather than Continued on page 24, col 4

# All-clear for anthrax isle after 48 years

THE island of Gruinard, which was contaminated with anthrax as an experiment in biological warfare during the Second World War, is to be returned to its owners next month, having been declared safe after years of decontamination and testing.

Grunard, half a mile off the northwest Scouish coast, near the mouth of Little Loch Broom, has been strictly off-limits since it was requisitioned by the Ministry of Supply in 1942 for the top-secret experiments.

Next week, its flourishing community of cormorants and jet black rabbits will be joined by Mr Michael Neubert, Under-Secretary of State for. Defence, and journalists when the last MoD Property" sign is pulled down.



Only scientists, well protected against potentially deadly spores, visited the innocent-looking island.

However, after an extensive survey, For more than 40 years, local an independent advisory group of six bay — he cannot swim.

people gave Gruinand a wide berth. scientists concluded that decontain. Gruinard has now bee

mation was feasible, and, by 1986, Gruinard was considered to have been completely cleared.

However, a farmer was invited to graze sheep on the island first to demonstrate that it was fit to be returned to agricultural use. Every day, Mr Steve Lynn chussed across the choppy bay to Gruinard, where he spent two hours making sure that the 40 sheep were thriving.

The experiment was completed without the loss of a single sheep. Mr Lynn even dipped the flock in an old concrete dip that had not been used since 1914. Burns and an old well provided abundant fresh water. Mr Lynn told The Times that he was never afraid of becoming contaminated. His only fear was in crossing the

Gruinard has now been sold back to

Mrs Maitland, wife of an Edinburgh advocate. She was given £500 for the freehold in 1947 and the Ministry of Defence has accepted just £500 for Grannard's return.

The trustees will formally take over the island on May I after Mr Neubert's little ceremony beside the mainland jetty. He will then take journalists on a tour of Gruinard, followed by a description of the decontamination process.

Seven families lived on the island at the turn of the century, but it soon became depopulated, making it ideal for the wartime experiment. Since then, however, Gruinard has been home to many sea birds, including a colony of cormorants. Thousands of rabbits, all black, have also thrived among the luxuriant heather.

# Lithuanian premier heads for Norway to buy oil

ister was on her way to not only for oil supplies but Norway in search of oil sup-also formal contacts between plies last night as Vilnius the two governments. How-awaited President ever, the two leading Norwe-Gorbachov's threatened reduction of deliveries.

While Mrs Kazimiera Prunskiene was en route for talks with oil suppliers, her parhament responded to Mr Gorbachov's renewed pres-sure with a reiteration of the republic's desire for compromise. The reply expressed regret at the Soviet threat to cut supplies of oil and gas, called for preliminary talks before May I and announced the dispatch of a delegation to Moscow "in the near future".

The parliament also voted to pass no new political leg-islation before May 1 if the Soviet Union agreed to preliminary talks. This constitutes a new offer from Vilnius, but represents a retreat from the original draft, which had offered to suspend the implementation of all legislation already passed as a result of the declaration of independence. Yesterday's resolution restated the parliament's intention to work towards the achievement of real independence through dialogue.

The only drama disturbing the tense calm in Vilnius yesterday was the hijack of a Soviet passenger aircraft to the Lithuanian capital by a man claiming, wrongly, to have a bomb in his luggage and demanding to talk to the Lithuanian government. Mr Igor Kalugin, aged 47, was arrested in Vilnius.

On her mission to Norway

THE Lithuanian Prime Min- Mrs Prunskiene is searching declared their unwillingness to be drawn into a political dispute with Moscow.

Adding to present tensions is the fact that Lithuania's nuclear power station at Ignalina is now shut down,

probably until the end of May. The only Russian deputy from the Soviet Communist Party in the Lithuanian parliament, Mr Sergei Pirozhkov, said that "Russians here realize that economic steps taken by Moscow may also harm them, but they want Mr Gorbachov to act to reintroduce Soviet law here, and they are ready to suffer so that this should be done" He said that Russians here will go on obeying the laws of the Soviet

• WASHINGTON: Mr James Baker, US Secretary of State, yesterday signalled that patience with Moscow's conduct in Lithuania was running out (Martin Fletcher writes). "It is time to engage in a dialogue and not merely talk about having a dialogue," he told a congressional

Mr Baker, speaking of "appropriate" US responses, noted that some bilateral commercial contacts were "more directly in their (Moscow's) interest than in ours. Those contacts are being put at risk by Soviet actions in Lithuania

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### US hostage 'to be free by tomorrow'

From Juan Carlos Gumucio, west Beirut

hostages for more than three years in Lebanon last night unexpectedly announced, without naming him, that they will release one of them by tomorrow at the request of Iran and Syria.

The Islamic Jihad for the Liberation of Palestine at the same time asked Washington to send Mr John Kelly, a former US Ambassador to Lebanon and now Assistant Secretary of State for Neareastern Affairs, to Damascus

have held three American steps to guarantee success within 48 hours".

The Jihad's announcement came in a statement delivered to the offices of the independent an-Nahar newspaper here. It was accompanied by a photograph of Mr Jesse Turner, an American teacher working for Beirut University College who was abducted with Mr Alann Steen and Mr Robert Polhill on January 24,

Schoolchildren die, page 10

### RAISED IN THE HIGHLANDS.



THE FAMOUS GROUSE FINEST SCOTCH WHISKY

QUALITY IN AN AGE OF CHANGE.

# Teaching unions in conference: one barracks leader; another backs strikes

# **NUT** split as leader rejects call for strike

By David Tytler, Education Editor

ain's largest teachers' union were clearly revealed last night when its new general secretary was jeered by about half its delegates at its annual conference and given a standing to this Conservative ovation by the rest.

conference in Bournemouth that he would stand by his pledge to use strike action as a last resort and would never support an illegal strike. He was frequently inter-rupted by delegates who

shouted that he never listened

He was barracked and icered when he said: "I reject the accusation made by some delegates that I will not fight for this union. That is non-sense. I will fight for better

"We will not win that fight by involving members in a national strike at the present time. I believe the vast majority would reject such a strike."

Shouts of "now" greeted his claim that it was essential to choose the right time to strike. from school because no He said the timing should be teacher is available; tired of chosen by the union and not dictated by the Government or any grouping that is out of buildings; tired of there not touch with all of our being enough books to go

He said a strike would only succeed if it was backed by a majority of members.

Directly addressing the hard left members of the union, Mr by underfunding, by under-re-McAvoy said: "I believe that every delegate who voted for strikes to combat the Govern- their children only but in ment's failure should go back to their schools and ask the members, not just the members who turn up at inquorate

publicly to express his own sentatives gave views: "I am proud to be the standing ovation. first general secretary to be Local education authorities elected and I am proud to who have been poll-capped by have been elected by an the Government last night overwhelming number of

"I said then that I believed the union would succeed in partnership with parents and be built if schools are being disrupted.

"I said I would oppose any attempt to take this union outside the law. I stand by that I believe I owe it to the members who elected me to press ahead with those

He had earlier referred to Mr Kenneth Baker, the former Secretary of State for Education and Science, as a "hitand-run minister".

He told the conference: "If

THE deep divisions in Brit-kind of people I referred to earlier, injured as a result of an and-run minister and would find itself the best tonic that we should certainly not give

Hard left members of the Mr McAvoy said the union National Union of Teachers had been successful in persuagave Mr Doug McAvoy the ding the Government to make slow handclap as he told the many changes to its education many changes to its education reforms, particularly over compulsory testing at seven

Referring to Mrs Margaret Thatcher's intervention at the beginning of the week when she said that she believed the National Curriculum was too rigid, he said; "The Prime Minister herself has recognized that there are flaws in changes pushed through Parliament by Kenneth Baker has left Margaret Thatcher salaries and the protection of and the Conservative Party injured and bleeding from his poll tax and his education

legislation."
Mr McAvoy said it was now generally accepted that there was a serious shortage of teachers. "Parents are tired of their children being sent home seeing their children educated in dilapidated and dangerous around, of having to constantly contribute to school funds to provide essentials.

"They are tired of seeing their children's future blighted sourcing and teachers stretched to the limit not by teaching addition by the amount of paperwork this Government as rained down on them." At the end of his speech, the

meetings." left-wing delegates sat silently
He also defended his right as the more moderate repreleft-wing delegates sat silently sentatives gave him a long

announced a legal challenge to what they say is a threat to teachers' jobs.

Nineteen members of the Labour-controlled Associaities, meeting in London review of the action by Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of

State for the Environment. They say his reduction of £! 10 million in their income is equivalent to the loss of 7,000

Mr Stephen Byers, of the association's education committee, speaking on the BBC's Six O'Clock News, said: "If the capping goes ahead as presently proposed it will we were to take illegal strike really damage the education action we would find these our children are receiving."



# Teachers back call for autumn strikes

By Douglas Broom, Education Reporter

"We will advise them to

concentrate on preparation

and teaching in the

tain of paperwork will be

relegated to the back of the

pleted what is reasonable they

will simply say to the head that they have fulfilled their

obligations," he said. The

union was prepared to stage

local strike action if its mem-

ond largest teachers' union will be called out on strike in the autumn unless the Government restores teachers' pay negotiating rights, its annual conference decided yesterday.

Although decisions about the timing and form of industrial action was left to the executive of the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, union leaders said that a campaign of one-day strikes was the most likely

Delegates representing 118,000 teachers gave unanimous approval to a motion expressing determination to pursue a campaign to improve pay and conditions.

The conference in Scarborough also endorsed a scheme to encourage teachers to refuse to undertake National Curriculum assessment and administration work, in protest at what delegates said was an excessive workload.

Mr Nigel de Gruchy, general secretary designate, denied that the plan amounted to industrial action and said vised to stay within the terms of their contracts.

Under conditions of employment imposed on the profession by the Government in 1987, teachers are required to work a minimum of 1,265 hours a year - roughly equivalent to a 32.5 hour working

In addition they can be required to work for any further period which is deemed "resonable" A recent survey by the union found that teachers

were putting in average of 51

hours a week during term time us any money to persuade and led to calls for action to existing teachers to stay in ease the workload.

Mr de Gruchy said: "We are An illustration of the financial plight facing some teachers was given by Miss Rachel Harris, a teacher from West not talking about taking industrial action. Members will get together in schools and make their own decisions about what is reasonable. She told the conference that

she earned more per hour and enjoyed better conditions as a barmaid than she did as a

As a graduate at the age of 29 she earned only £11,043 a year, £680 a month.

After paying her poli tax, mortgage repayments of £380 a month and £137 a month in repayments on the car she used to get to work she had little more than £120 left. Her night job as a barmaid brought her £25 a session, free food and a regular bonus.

bers had they pay docked for "I need both jobs to pay my mortgage on a modest two bedroomed flat which I bought with a colleague in a refusing to do work they considered unreasonable. But he added: "We will not be going to the courts. British far from fashionable part of judges are hopelessly biased Suffolk and to enable me to against working people and run a second-hand car," she

Opening the debate on the pay motion, Mrs Sue Rogers, to teachers was worth only 7.3 cent at a time inflation was rising. For three years teachers had

endured imposed rises below the rate of inflation and the time bad come to take a stand. "Teachers are literally cracking under the strain. The workload is intolerable," she

"It is outrageous that the Government is giving Saatchi and Saatchi £2.2 million to persuade young people to come into teaching, yet they do not seem prepared to give

# Rights of child 'not protected'

AFTER a decade of "officially approved uncaring self-in-terest" Britain's record in protecting the rights of childen is as poor as that of some Third World countries, a teachers' union leader said yesterday (Douglas Broom

Mr Graham Terrell, former president of the National Association of Schoolmas-ters/Union of Women Teachers, told the annual conference in Scarborough that the Government should be ashamed of its failure to protect

"In London and our major cities young children are working long hours in a way that can only damage their education," he said.

"They turn up at school in the morning too tired to learn and the fact that the Government does nothing about it amounts to conniving with the exploitation of these

through our great railway shortages in the capital army of child beggars who infest them. It is shocking that cation - constituted an assault the Government seems con-

Mr Terrell, deputy headmaster of Rutlish School, a comprehensive in Merton, outh London, criticized the Government's refusal to ratify the 1989 United Nations Convention on the Rights of

Ministers had expressed 'reservations" about the convention because it conflicted with immigration legislation,

Article nine of the convenlive with their parents, a right each child will bring with not allowed to the children of them under formula funding."

ing in Britain. Article 37 sought to guarantee children protection from arbitrary arrest but under the current immigration law children could be arrested and held

without trial. "Our immigration laws permit children to be arbitrarily detained without trial or bail Children are frequently held in this way at Harmondsworth Detention Centre near Heathrow Airport," Mr Terreil said.

Mr Gordon Housely, a member of the union's national executive, said changes to the school curriculum designed to make teaching relevant to the world of work also amounted to an attack on the rights of children.

They were entitled to a broad-based education which was not dictated by the needs of industry but which would enable them to play a full role as adult citizens.

Mr Seamus Searson, "Anyone who travels London teacher, said teacher stations cannot fail to see the which meant that hundreds of children were denied eduon their rights.

at a Southampton comprehensive, said the system of basing school budgets on pupil numbers would increase the trend to regard them as units rather than individuals.

"Children, who should be our nation's most precious resources, have been reduced to the status of bankable assets on the hoof like so many cattle," he said. "Schools have been thrust into a whirlpool of market forces competing for tion gave children the right to the satchelful of fivers that

### Leaders reject left's tax protest

By David Tytler

LEFT-WING moves to force Britain's largest teachers' union to mount a campaign of mass non-payment of the politax were rejected by the leadership yesterday.

Mrs Barbara Lloyd, president of the National Union of Teachers, told its annual conference in Bournemouth that parts of the proposed motion encouraged illegal activity while others "were outside the aims and objectives of the union as they stand".

union as they stand."

Mr Richard Rieser, a
teacher from Hackney, east
London, who proposed the
motion, said it was the one Mr
Doug McAvoy, the union's
general secretary, had earlier
claimed had been shaped by
the Militant Tendency.

the Militant Tendency. Mrs Lloyd ruled most of the motion out of order prevent-ing calls for Labour authorities not to implement or collect the tax and to undertake not to prosecute anybody who refused to pay the tax.

Left-wingers also failed in their attempt to mount a union campaign against the tax and to join anti-poll tax

Mr Rieser said: "It is true that it was proposed by two or three supporters of Militant out of the 50 or 60 other members who attend our meetings but it was approved by everybody." Non-compli-ance was the only way to fight

ibe tax. He said teachers would have to make a moral decision on whether to let poll tax officers have access to school records containing names and

A revised motion condemning the tax and its adverse effect on the school budgets

Later Mrs Lloyd also ruled out of order a demand from the Kingston upon Thames association that British troops should be pulled out of Northern Ireland

A watered down version of the motion committing the support TUC initiatives on Ulster was passed overwheimingly.

The motion said: "Generations of school children are being denied the opportunity to grow up and be educated in a peaceful and positive environment'

represent teachers in the province, is also committed to explore ways which the union can assist teachers and children to overcome some of their day-to-day difficulties".

In spite of Mrs Lloyd's ruling, left-wing teachers repeatedly demanded that British troops be removed from Northern Ireland. The union also reaffirmed

its opposition to the Government's scheme for licensed teachers and to take all necessary steps to resist their

### **Interior Decoration** Number



From the Hermitage, the greatest cabinetmaker ever?

 How Georgian rooms were really painted John Cornforth on the interiors of Robert Adam's pupil Bloomsbury by the sea: restoring the art, recapturing the laughter

Robots and cows: is this the way to more natural milk? Plus the usual informed coverage of gardens, wildlife, sport, architecture, collecting, the countryside, farming, fashion, property and the arts.

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#### **NHS** staff may strike over pay

Leaders of 130,000 administration and clerical staff employed in the National Health Service yesterday rejected a 7.7 per cent pay offer and threatened strike action.

The national committee of the National and Local Goverament Officers' Association (Nalgo) said it would propose programme of strikes at a delegate meeting on May 18. The union wants an in-

crease of £18 a week or 12 per cent, whichever is greater. The NHS management tabled its "final" offer of 7.7 per cent at talks last Wednesday.

TV film demand Anglia Television and the BBC were ordered by a judge at Chelmsford Crown Court to hand over footage of a poll tax Essex, in which 17 people were

arrested when trouble flared outside the town hall. Prince's gift

The Prince of Wales has given £30,000 to help to repair storm damage at his local parish church, St Mary the Virgin at Tetbury in Gloucestershire, where he and his family are regular worshippers.

CORRECTIONS Yesterday's report about salmonella poisoning at wed-dings should have made clear that the food at last year's reception at the Savoy was prepared not by the hotel, but by outside caterers who are being sued for damages by the bridal couple concerned.

The portrait of Lord Charteris of Amisfield, shown yesterday, is by Michael Noakes, not Richard Nokes as printed.

# Salaries 'well above inflation'

MANAGEMENT salaries are ward says that experience that employees are becoming "Recruitment and training rising at well above the rate of inflation, with further doublefigure rises likely to be conceded by many companies, particularly in the South-east, according to a survey.

Mr de Gruchy: Members

The result, says the Reward Group, which did the study, could be company failures and significant shedding of labour. The survey involved 1,000 companies, employing more than a milion people, and analysed the salaries of 26,123 working in senior management and in supervisory roles. Reward says that it is the most

representative management pay survey yet published. It found that last month annual basic pay rises for managers averaged 11.8 per cent, compared with 11.1 per cent in September last year, 8.5 per cent in March last year and 6.4 per cent in September

Companies are now predicting that overall management pay will rise by 9.1 per cent over the next year, but Resuggests that this figure is more an expression of hope. The survey found that employers, especially in the South-east and in the Thames Valley, expect to give rises of

between 8 per cent and 10 per Reward warns that contin-

ued pressure on salaries could lead to problems for many companies. The survey says: "Such a level of pay increases raises some very difficult questions. There is no doubt go on a merry-go-round.

Chief Executive-General Manager Accounts-Financial Controller Company Secretary Construction-Contracts Mar

Computing Manager Engineering-Chief Engineer Marketing Manager Chief Personnel Manager Works Manager Chief Scientist-Technologist

Average Management Pay 220,946 to £47,838 £20,797 to £39,000 £18,866 to £45,188 £15,418 to £25,030 £5,900 to £15,000 £18,010 to £36,926 £17,341 to £34,458 £20,732 to £36,680 £18,536 to £35,913 £17,290 to £30,044 £18,025 to £32,800 £19,284 to £37,429 £23,855 to £48,180

"The obvious and immedi-

Competition for staff would

"raise salary levels and, in the

low-loyalty, high-turnover ar-

employers is to increase pay

levels to beat off

competition."

costs will spiral, along with intensely aware of their marsalaries and payroll costs. ket value and that the lower levels of unemployment are Companies are already struggling to survive in an increasingly hostile financial environment and will have moved ate solution for the majority of no further forward in stabilizing their workforce." Recruitment costs would

> rise, along with payroll costs. when firms were paying high interest rates on borrowings. The alternatives, says Re-

ward, are for companies to carry out more training to improve the usefulness and loyalty of employees. The survey also found that despite recent tax changes, the provision of company cars continues to rise. It said 35.9 per cent of middle managers have cars, compared to 19.5 per cent in 1985.

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Reward Management Salary Survey, March 1990. (The Reward Group, Reward House, Dia-mond Way, Stone Business Park, Stone, Staffordshire; sin-sle issue £120 subscription gle issue £120, subscription £190)

# Irish courts top agenda for meeting

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

THE vexed issue of extra- ference meeting to concentrate dition will dominate a meeting today of the Anglo Irish ministerial conference as British minister's seek clarification of recent court decisions in Dublin not to send terrorist suspects to Northern Ireland. Mrs Thatcher is also ex-

Mr Peter Brooke, the Sec-

retary of State for Northern

Ireland, requested a con-

He said yesterday: "The consequence of the two recent judgments could have given pected to express British dissome people the impression may at the judgments when that there was a safe haven for she meets Mr Charles terrorists in the Republic. Haughey, the Irish Republic's "That is a bad perception Prime Minister, at 10 Downing Street tomorrow.

for anybody to have and a question both governments will have to address." Mr Brooke added: "The Irish government has been the

agents, on our behalf, in bringing these extradition on extradition after he had talks with Mr Gerard Collins, cases. It is the courts who have in fact ruled on the basis of the the Irish Republic's Minister for Foreign Affairs, earlier this laws and it is therefore obvious it is the laws we will be During the discussions in

London today government Ministers will express dis-appointment at Irish Supreme Court decisions which freed Mr Owen Carron, the former Republican MP, and convicted terrorists Dermot Finucane and James Pius Clarke.

Earlier this month the Irish leaders.

Supreme Court upheld Mr Carron's appeal against an order for his return to RUC custody on a firearms charge ruling that the alleged firearms offence was connnected with political offences. The decision led to further

strain in Anglo-Irish relations and brought calls from Unionist politicans for the Anglo-Irish agreement to be scrapped.

Mr Haughey's talks with the Prime Minister are the latest in a round he is holding with Енгореал Community

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# Isaacs announces £2m deficit and ten new operas

taken the unprecedented step of budgeting for a £2 million taken the unprecedented step public find worth supporting been spent on rescuing the of budgeting for a £2 million. We cannot go on indefinitely deficit in the current year budgeting for a deficit. We while still staging one of the have to know where we are by increase in the Royal Opera musically troot ambitious on the second of the se

million from the last financial year, but is also preparing to let it build to nearly £5.5 million to preserve its high financial year

Announcing a programme for 1990-91 which includes 10 for 1990-91 which includes 10 unless: something happens opera productions new to that is not happening now." Covent Garden, Mr Jeremy Isaacs, general director, said yesterday that unless there was some indication of a solution to the funding crisis in the City. For the first time by the autumn I do not know the Arts Council has built in what will happen".

BROADLANDS, the Hamp-shire home of the late Earl

Mountbatten of Burma which

has served as honeymoon

retreat to the last two genera-

tions of royalty, is in serious financial trouble, according to

Lord Romsey, grandson and heir to the last Viceroy of

India and former honorary

grandfather to the Prince of Wales, and who was killed by

an Irish terrorist bomb in

had spent much of his inher-

itance trying to keep the house

and grounds open. He now faced a bill of £14 million for

essential repairs and future

upkeep of the house that was...

"If we cannot find the funds

from some sort of dev-

elopment we shall have to

consider closing the house,"

"I cannot go on bearing the financial burden. I know

people think I am wealthy, but I simply have a lot of assets

that look very nice, and a large

de Secretary of S

for the Environment, to refuse

planning permission for a

recommended that the plan go

million for urgent house

Mr Patten rejected it, saying

that the needs of the historic

house did not justify the

introduction of "unacceptable

the most famous public

the end of this summer term.

cost of maintaining the 18th

century building at Wardour

Castle, near Tisbury, Wilt-shire, in which it was housed,

are blamed for the decision,

which the governors an-

Cranborne Chase was

founded as a sister school to

Bryanston in 1946 by its first headmistress, Miss C B Gal-

ton, who held office for 23

years. In 1961 it had to be

saved by an appeal to parents

when unexpectedly heavy

costs were incurred moving to

Wardon Castle from the

school's original site at

In 1969 the school set a

at Eton, was appointed head dearer.

Wimborne, Dorset.

High interest rates and the

shopping developments in the idence at the time.

By Robin Young

CRANBORNE Chase, one of in succession to Miss Gahon.

schools for girls, is to close at for its strength in the arts. Old

precedent when Mr Michael school, Cranborne Chase had

Neal, formerly a housemaster recently become £80 a term

The school has been noted

girls include Diana de Vere

Cole, the book illustrator and

telelvision writer, and Iona Brown, the violinist.

Since 1987 the number of

pupils - at £2,425 a term for

boarding and trition - has

Cranborne Chase experi-

mented briefly with scholar-

ships for boys in the sixth

form in the 1970s, but later

reverted to being a single sex

school. It was never able to

accommodate more than 145

pupils, which proved an

expensive handicap with a

costly building and grounds to

Traditionally a little less

expensive than Roedcan, the

best known girls' public

dropped from 140 to 96.

Lord Romsey said yesterday.

Jonce the home of Queen Victoria's prime minister,

Lord Palmerston.

1979, admitted yesterday he

its current occupant.

Broadlands

By Alan Hamilton

tumn Treasury statement funding period in 1992.
gives a firm indication about Mr Issaes put the magfunding for the following minds of the deficit down to

"There will be a serious cash crisis by the end of the year That could mean either an emergency contingency grant from the Government, or

open countryside".
- Broadlands receives about

100,000 visitors a year. The Queen and the Duke of Edin-

burgh spent the first night of their honeymoon there in

1947, as did the Prince and

Princess of Wales in 1981.

Lord Romsey said yes-terday that he was still in

negotiation with the local

authority to find a dev-elopment for his estate which

would satisfy planners.

Last year Lord Romsey.

who is aged 42, announced

that the company administer-

ing the public side of the

Broadlands estate had gone

into voluntary liquidation; since then he has run the

• Staff at Churchill's birth-

estate on a personal basis.

that will happen". its own contingency fund of the said: "We cannot slash £2.5 million this year, but Cash crisis for

by closing.

Public approval of the opera programme was attested to by

sponsorship and corporate support was raised. That meant the past ratio of 60 per

was a reasonable expectation.

In the next few weeks the opera house is expected to announce an increase in ticket prices of at least 10 per cent, which is likely finally to bring the first standard £100 seat to Covent Garden. The present spread of prices is £1 to £90.

place saved the stately home and its valuable contents from serious damage when fire broke out in the roof. Firemen praised staff yesterday who tried to put out the flames at Blenheim Palace in mance ratio.

Oxfordshire and then pro-tected its vast collection of books in the library below the seat of the blaze. rverdraft."
The palace administrator,
He is still smarting over the Mr Paul Duffie, saw flames in decision last year by Mr Chris the roof of a tower where out earlier in the day. Mr Duffie said."The fire brigade did not use one more

set among Broadlands' 5,000 drop of water than was necacres. The inspector at the essary so damage was kept to a initial planning inquiry minimum." The blaze was brought under control within ahead, after hearing Lord an hour. No one was injured Romsey's argument that it and there was no serious would provide at least £8 structural damage. An investigation into the cause was taking place and a conservation expert was called in to examine the collection of 10,000 books. The Duke of Marlborough was not in res-

Roedean's rival to close in summer

> be a new production of Spanish designer, and two Gluck operas, Iphigenie and



Mr Isaacs: "We can't go on budgeting for deficit"

THE Royal Opera House has to ribbons a programme the nearly all of that has already

musically most ambitious opthe antumn of this year, I do House's Arts Council grant for
era programmes to date in a
dramatic challenge to the
Government and the Arts

The antumn of this year, I do House's Arts Council grant for
not think we can go on much
this year to £15.3 million,
the grant of the longer than that not knowing.

Without the money we more than 20 per cent, an would have to have the most increase of about \$4 million, The country's pre-eminent drastic of drastic rethinks, and the Royal Opera House will be classical venue is not only that would mean Armaged—unable to balance its books by carrying over a deficit of £3.3 don." Traditionally, the author and of the three-year in 1992

> an income shortfall due to an "over-ambitious" expectation of £2 million from private subvention which had been affected by the rise in interest rates, and an overspend of £1 increased with inflationlinked wage rises, all added to accumulated shortfalls in gov-

However, he said that he would not preside over any further cuts in productions or the deficit. Nor would he follow the example of the Royal Shakespeare Company

the fact that last year 90 per cent box office sales were recorded, and £6 million in cent government grant to 40 per cent earned income had been reversed; a 50-50 ratio

Productions had been cut so that they represented only 5 per cent of overall costs, and more cuts could not be made, Mr Isaacs said. Staff cuts, too, proved to be impossible while still maintaining "a proper and adequate service."

Peat Marwick McLintock,

the management consultants, have been commissioned to make a detailed comparison with other international houses and their funding, earning power and perfor-

Their report is expected to reinforce the fact that the Royal Opera House contributes more to its funding than any house except the Metro-politan in New York which revenue system, has the smallest grant than any but the Metropolitan and raises more sponsorship than any but the

The 1990-91 season is to go ahead at the Royal Opera House with the world pre-miere of Harrison Birtwhistle's opera Gawain, the farewell performance by Dame Joan Sutherland, who is to sing the John Mortimer translation of Die Fledermaus, and performances by Jose Carreras Placido Domingo, and Dame Kiri te Kanawa.

Guest conductors will include Sir Colin Davis, and opera will number Massenet's Don Quichotte, Verdi's Attila, Beethoven's Fidelio and a revival of the popular Zefferelli production of Pucci-ni's Tosca. The Götz Friedrich production of Wagner's Ring cycle is to continue with Siegfried and

Götterdammerung, there is to Carmen directed by Spain's Nuria Espert and with a



Nina Wigfall, aged 11, models a vestment made at London's National Portrait Gallery at a workship linked to an exhibition celebrating Cardinal Newman's life

# Mother fights ruling in Egypt on child custody

By Tom Giles

A BRITISH mother was yesterday planning to appeal after an Egyptian judge refused to recognize a British court ruling giving her custody of her three children, abducted to Egypt by their father six months ago.

Mrs Pamela Green, aged 35, from Mitcham in Surrey, was told that the ruling effectively allows her Egyptian former husband, Mr Abdul Salem Ahmed, to keep their nineyear old daughter and two sons aged seven and five at his house in Cairo.

Staff at the British Embassy in the capital are comforting

"miracle" drug

Deakin, aged 21, changed

her plea to guilty on the second day of her trial at Liverpool Crown Court on a

charge of conspiring with Peter Foster, described in

court as a confidence man, to

sell a slimming aid advertised

with a false trade description.

She was given a six-month

prison sentence, suspended

for two years, and fined £250.

Deakin, who had shed 12

stone by her own efforts, was

stripped of her title by Slim-

mer Magazine after she had

appeared on national tele-vision to endorse the slim-

ming product, a powder made

from the thickening agent guar gum, as a "miracle" product. The magazine said the award

was only given to those who

Diet" had received nothing.

Mr Antonis Georges, for the

defence, told the court that

Deakin had put on consid-

erable weight since she ap-

peared on the BBC's Daytime

Live programme, most of it

caused by "the anxiety of

these proceedings hanging

over her head, which have

caused considerable ructions

buy the so-called "Deakin mentioned."

lost weight naturally.

and must now raise more and everybody contacted with funds to finance her appeal. the case has been very confident that the outcome would be in her favour."

The British vice-consul, Mrs Helen Holmes, said that the judge had refused to recognize papers relating to the couple's divorce, her custody of the children or an order making them wards of court in the UK.

She added: "The next step is to appeal. Pamela's lawyer is trying everything possible to have the appeal heard within the next seven days."

"She was devastated by the news on Tuesday, but is very ff at the British Embassy strong and is trying to pick e capital are comforting Green who has already make the appeal. It came as a spent £5,000 on legal expenses great shock because her lawyer

"She was not a dishonest

person. Everything was

thrown away when Peter Fos-

had swept her off her feet

"She should have withstood

the temptation ... but it is

understandable that she

Mr Georges added: "Many

people far more sophisticated

have succumbed to Foster's

temptations. When he sees a

product ... he latches on to it

Earlier, Mr Georges referred

Although vast amounts of

the promotion of the guar gum

product, most of it had gone

Cayman Islands.

to the promotion of another of

should succumb."

like a leech."

ter was introduced to her.'

Slimmer admits

duping public

MICHELE Deakin, the 1988 had believed the granules were

confessed yesterday to duping added: "She lied in the sense

the public by claiming that she that she said she had taken had shed 12 stone by using a them.

#### helping parents in child-abduction cases. It is not known whether Mrs Green's case was raised.

However, Mrs Holmes said

such a result would have been

"very surprising". "There's no obligation on behalf of the

Egyptian courts to recognize a

Abducted Children, known as

Reunite, said yesterday it would ask Mr Timothy

Sainsbury, Under-Secretary of

State in the Foreign Office, to

The Foreign Office said Mr

MPs yesterday to discuss the

Government's position in

The National Council for

British court decision."

look into the case.

Reunite said: "Mrs Green has had to fight her own case through the Egyptian courts despite having custody in "Over 500 children are

Young Slimmer of the Year, safe and effective, but he abducted from Britain every year. Few return and some never see their mother or father again. Once abducted children and their parents receive no financial assistance from the Government, nor do they have recourse through At the age of 19 Deakin had the British courts to their had no social life, and Peter Foster and his Rolls-Royce

Mrs Green, who gave up fashion design course in Croydon, south-west London, to fight the case, has made five visits to Cairo.

In the last six months she has managed to see her children just three times, the last when she tracked them down to a school in Cairo.

Her husband has remarried to a 20-year-old Egyptian girl, and has taken the children to live with his parents in a tworoom flat in the Sharabiya area of the city.

Foster's fake slimming aids, Bai Lin tea, by the cricketer Ian Botham and the model Although Mrs Green's law Samantha Fox. The judge yer is trying to act quickly she has been told that an appeal emphasized that there was no Customers who sent in evidence of any improper cheques to Deakin's home to conduct by the celebrities may well not be possible before the end of June when the Egyptian courts go into money had been involved in recess. If the appeal attempt fails, it is likely no action will be taken before October, more into Foster's Isle of Man bank than a year after her children were taken.

account. Foster is on the run, believed to be hiding in the Mrs Green has said she will have to apply for a residence Deakin, who had been permit, showing she has intraining as a croupier at a come of £120 a month, if she is to have a chance of seeing her Liverpool casino, has had her

ban was legally enforced.

Details of the latest research

patients with a family history of disorders, and placed in their wombs only unaffected female embryos, discarding the males which might have been affected.

nated with their husbands' sperm. The fertilized eggs were cultured for a further two days during which the eggs developed into eight-cell embryos, measuring a tenth of a millimetre across

female embryos were placed

Three of the five women are now pregnant, and two of the three, Mrs Debbie Edwards, aged 29, and Mrs Christine Munday, aged 35, are expecting twins in August. The babies have been confirmed as normal females by con-ventional prenatal diagnosis

Mrs Munday, of Frimley. Surrey, has a son aged 12 who is severely handicapped mentally and physically by a rare

chromosomal disorder. She said: "We love our boy a new pregnancy knowing that

form of muscular dystrophy see the male off."

# Gender check in embryos halts family diseases

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

the sex of a human embryo within three days of fertilization and are using the knowledge to prevent gender-linked inherited diseases.

Three women are expecting babies certain to be free of specific hereditary conditions, as a result of pioneering research by specialists at the Hammersmith Hospital in west London. The pregnancies are understood to be the first in the world to result from the application of the technique in this context.

The advance could ultimately be of great benefit to families afflicted by more than 200 diseases, including baemophilia and Duchenne muscular dystrophy, which affect only male children, the researchers said yesterday.

More immediately, it could influence MPs who, during next week's debate on the Human Fertilization and Embryology Bill, will be given a free vote on whether to ban

embryo research. Professor Robert Winston, who led the Hammersmith work, said that the healthy pregnancies achieved in the three women would have been impossible without such research, and said further advances would be vetoed if a

are published in today's issue of Nature. Using in vitro fertilization (IVF) techniques. Alan Handyside, an embryologist, identified the sex of embryos of five women

Eggs from the women had been collected and insemi-

A single cell was then removed from each, and a fragment of DNA found only on the male Y chromosome was amplified a millionfold in a rapid process called polymerase chain reaction. That enabled the sex of the embryos to be identified within a few hours. Only the

and ultrasound scanning.

but it is a devastating condition and one day we may not be able to look after him. It is a wonderful relief to start the new babies are not going to be affected in the same way."

BRITISH scientists have which causes mental impairdiscovered how to determine ment, blindness and incapacity leading to death.

We are hopeful that we can use the same approach for the specific diagnosis of other, relatively frequently inherited diseases.

He said that at present, prenatal diagnosis of the con-ditions was available at early foctus was found from the tests to be affected, the parents faced the difficult choice of whether or not to terminate the pregnancy.

Our work offers them an alternative type of diagnosis and the chance to start a normal pregnancy.

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# Lonely gorillas may end

By Ruth Gledhill

THE sight of bored, lone male gorillas kept in solitary confinement in zoos could

soon be a thing of the past.

As the population of male gorillas in captivity increases, all-male groups of gorillas will become the only alternative to week's issue of The Dodo, the journal of the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust.

Sexually mature male gorilias, or silverbacks, frequently live alone for years in the wild.

Dr Sandy Harcourt, of the Department of Zoology at Cambridge University, reports in The Dodo that zoos face a huge problem in housing surplus males. Because of the assumption that adult males cannot be kept together,

zoos often keep them in solitary confinement for years. However, the sight of bored, lonely males is becoming unacceptable to the public and zoo administrations alike; the apes' intelligence only exacerbates their distress.

While males who attempt to join breeding groups in the wild come under savage atgroups with no problems, bar

the odd chest-beating display. However, The Dodo reports that no zoo in the world is known to have a bachelor group of male gorillas. But Mr Richard Johnstone-Scott, anthropoids section head at Jersey, says the only alter-

native is euthanasia. Howletts Zoo Park, thought to have the world's largest gorillas population, with 19 males and 18 females, is building Britain's and possibly the world's first all-male gorilla enclosure.

Mr Peter Halliday, head gorilla keeper, said: "Ideally, there should be one male to four females in an adult group. "Male gorillas are real chauvinists. They naturally tend to Mrs Edwards, of Hayes, dominate. But if there are four west London, was at risk of having children affected by a the male steps out of line and

#### Decision on £500m market scheme soon

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

A decision on the controver-sial £500 million scheme to present the two parties have redevelop the Spitalfields fruit and vegetable market in the East End of London could be taken next Friday. The scheme is due to be

considered by the Bethnal Green neighbourhood committee of Tower Hamlets Council a week before the local elections on May 3.

Committee members want the meeting to be followed immediately by a meeting of the policy and resources committee, so the matter is resolved before the elections. Labour is hoping to wrest

an equal number of seats, with the Liberal mayor having the casting vote. The scheme, for 800,000 square feet of offices and 200,000 square feet of shops,

has been criticized by the Spitalfields Trust which has called on the Spitalfields Development Group to rethink the project and urged Tower Hamlets to reject the present scheme. The Royal Fine Art Commission has made a simi-

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# Both sides play a waiting game as Strangeways stalemate goes on

within her family". Deakin licence suspended.

THE mocking contempt had taken place for 50 hours. line against the rioters by tempts to set fire to the prison collapse. The building is dark poisoning. Mr Bob Litherland, "Good morning, Manches even a small number of rioters the prison Mr Brendan O'Friel, the storming the prison roof. The can be dealt with from a safe and the geography complex. Labour MP for Manchester ter," when he first appeared are thought to be able to Strangeways, Manchester,

The seven remaining rioters who still command the upper storeys of the wrecked building held to their refusal to

continued for the 18th day the Home Office in his policy yesterday (Rouald Faux of refusing to use force to retake the building.

He has not given any ferences as to why he decided on this course save that using surrender as the prison force would risk lives un-authorities held to a policy of necessarily. For operational patient negotiation and reasons no more details could psychological pressure to end be given while the siege

That is seen by staff as

prisoners took control and position that was impregnable hardcore of seven. to the number of prison officers immediately on hand.

let the trouble expire naturally and in the meantime he is holding his counsel. There is, after all, a murder inquiry The rioters are contained.

delivered to the prison Mr Brendan O'Friel, the storming the prison roof. The can be dealt with from a safe and the geography complex, authorities from the roof of prison governor, has been chance to do so was lost in the distance. The original numsupported by his staff and by early stages of the not when bers of noters occupying the the Home Office in his policy prisoners took control and roof has been whittled down barricaded themselves into a from more than 100 to a

The descriptions of the state of the Strangeways interior The O'Friel approach is to make it clear the accommodation wings are in a dangerous

We are told that wrought iron staircases leading to the upper areas of the prison have remain. They have no clean been smashed. Stretches of There are no hostages, what gantry linking the cells are works and klaxons rob them resterday afternoon there

I that is seen by such as there are no noneages, what games to the building can be was deadlock and no negotiations, patient or otherwise, over pressure to take a hard done, has been done. At-

Prison officers who attempted to approach the barricades were met with violence. One suffered a punctured lung. They were beaten back by inmates armed with scaffolding poles.

Against that background, Mr O'Friel has clearly decided to weather the humiliation of prisoners on the roof and to sit it out, even though only seven water or fresh food and fire-

Central, said yesterday he believed the authorities had taken the right approach. Bringing in the Army would be wrong, men with guns were inappropriate and retaking the prison would be like storming the catacombs, he said.

The prisoners kept up their defiance yesterday, hurling abuse and masonry at prison staff and doing their best to show that Mr O'Friel's insistence that they are short of food, filthy and demoralized is

on the roof.

Later, when fire hoses were aimed at him, he stripped naked and scrubbed himself with a bar of soap. A Home Office spokesman said such authorities from their expressed intention of reaching a peaceful settlement.

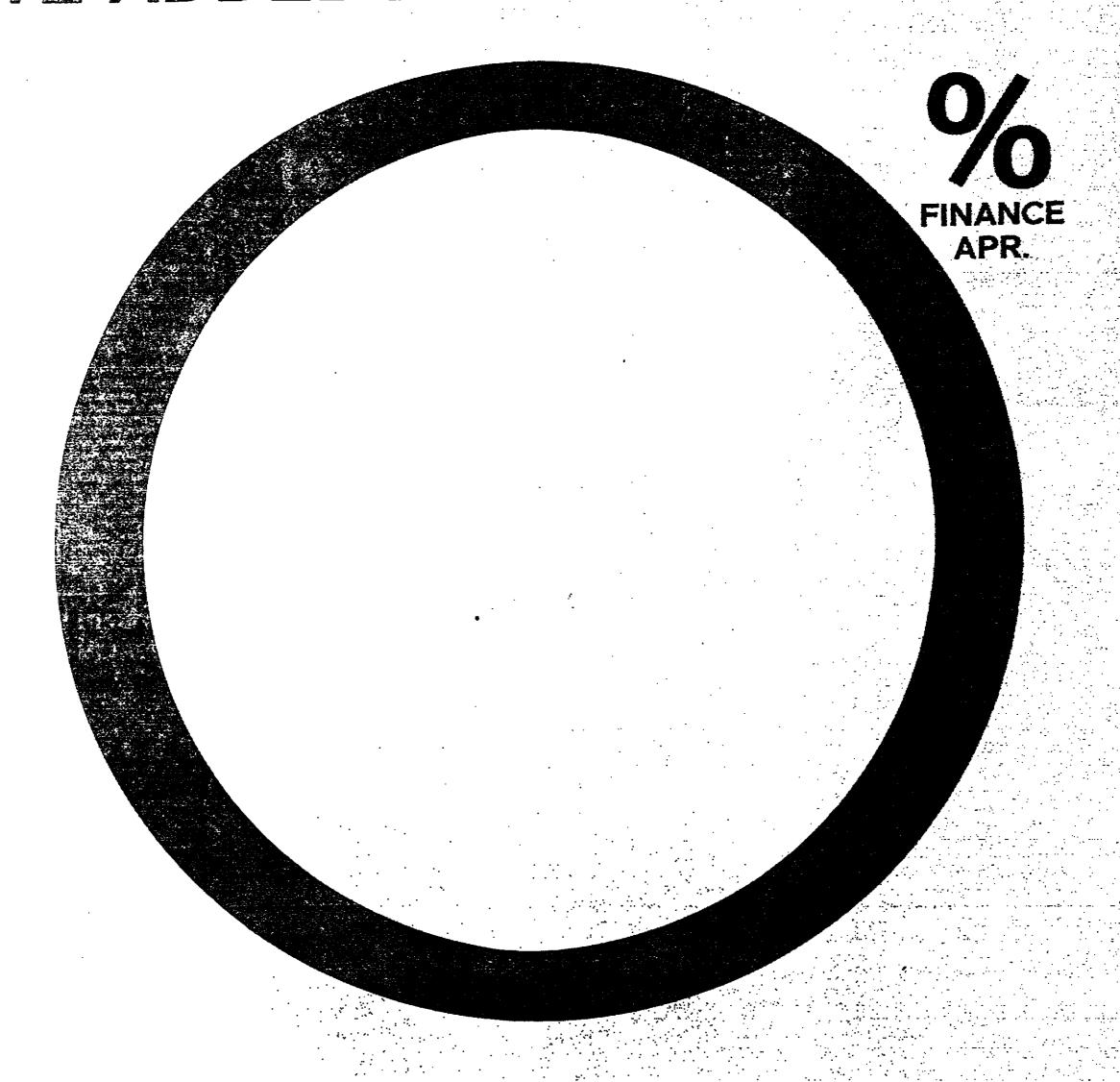
suspected food poisoning. through an opening in the have an an barricades of debris which ing effect.

defend against any attempt to storm the upper floors of the prison under rioters' control. The prisoners are able to

boil water, cook their remaining food and keep warm on gestures would not deflect the open fires made from debris. There is speculation that

some rioters are using drugs taken from the prison phar-The last prisoners to leave macy. Medical opinion sngwere three men taken to gests, however, that the drug hospital on Monday with supplies kept in the prison would mainly be depressants They were brought out rather than drugs that would have an anti-depressant, excit-

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# Airline fights Paris ban on cut-price business flights

BUSINESS travellers between said: "Many companies, es- ish Midland is introducing a denied the chance of saving £100 on a return air ticket by the "obduracy" of the French government, it was claimed

British Midland Airways is to begin services from Heathrow to Paris Charles de Gaulle on May 24. It had aimed at the tremely popular. Unfortu-20 per cent of regular business nately the French refused. air passengers, whose companies insist they travel economy class, by offering a full business class service at £100 less than the equivalent business-class fare available on either British Airways or Air

The French government, however, rejected that proposal, although it had received approval from Britain.

Mr Austin Reid, managing becomes law throughout director of British Midland, Europe. In the meantime Brit-

A FIRE that killed a passenger

on board a B&I ferry in the Irish Sea and injured 32 other

people may have been started

as a diversion by thieves who

stole money from the ship,

Welsh police said yesterday.

Inspector Dai Davies, of Dyfed-Powys Police, said that he could not rule out a poss-

ible link between the fire and

the theft, although he had no

evidence to support the

Police are still waiting for

the results of tests by forensic

scientists and they will be re-

interviewing most of the 219

passengers and 71 crew inter-

viewed and fingerprinted after

The theft of the money,

which belonged to B&I, took

place after the fire broke out.

The company estimates that

a link, it might have been an

opportunist theft by someone

who took advantage of the

confusion caused by the fire or

it might have been a pre-

£3,000 was stolen.

planned diversion."

Thief may have

started ship fire

London and Paris have been pecially in France, insist on range of fares which roughly their staff buying economy match the price of an econtickets.

> "We were certain our proposed business fare of £149 for Air France. anyone returning within three

"It demonstrates that there are still different attitudes towards liberalization and competition within Europe."

The airline is still fighting the ban with the help of the Department of Transport but may have to wait for another two years when a new agree-ment enabling airlines to set the fares they wish - provided just one country agrees -

they discovered that there had

been two fires in an unused

passenger section on C deck, which was out of bounds.

Three Irishmen were ques-tioned and released on police

One detective said: "Some-

one among the passengers

knows exactly what happened

and must be getting fairly worried by now."

A rescue operation involv-

ing RAF helicopters and life-

boats took place after the fire

broke out in a block of 10

cabins on the 9,000-ton

Republic, on a night sailing on

by smoke in his cabin.

bail after 24 hours.

omy seat on the two big carriers, British Airways and

The two now share almost days - the most usual length equally the 2.5 million pasof stay for most business trips sengers a year who use the - would have proved ex- route, but with an all-business class service.

British Midland, using Mc-Donnell Douglas DC9 jets with 110 seats, will offer champagne, free drinks, hot towels and a full meal service on seven flights a day.

"We are more than confident in taking on the national flag carrier," Mr Reid said. "In the 1980s we helped to change the face of air travel on UK domestic routes by campaigning successfully against considerable opposition to provide greater com-petition, choice and value for

"In Europe we have aiready proved on the Heathrow to Dublin and Heathrow to Amsterdam routes that we can take on national flag carriers and gain a very considerable market share. The launch of a Heathrow-Paris service on Eu-Police suspected arson after rope's premier route is another very important step in our expansion strategy and we expect to make further announcements later this

> British Midland has had remarkable success in its battle to compete with British Airways and now has a 30 per cent share of Scottish routes, 46 per cent of Belfast services, 25 per cent of Amsterdam flights and 19 per cent of Dublin routes. The airline is confident that it will persuade at least 15 per cent of pas-

make the switch. It was half-way through its four-hour journey from Pembroke Dock to Rosslare, Irish ing slots were made available at Heathrow to enable his 8 April, just a day after the fire airline to compete directly on the Scandanavian Star in with other carriers any further the North Sea in which nearly expansion might be

sengers on the Paris route to

Mr Davies said: "If there is 200 people died.

Which is might have been an Mr Michael Butterworth, ● The number of hourly takeaged 50, a management offs and landings at Heathrow consultant, of Tunbridge is to be increased from 72 to Wells, Kent, died on the Nor-74 to ease delays for pasonna. He was found overcome sengers, the Civil Aviation Authority said last night.



# Pilot Dan dares to be different

ready to go, Sir Hubert." Forty years on, the reincarnated space hero seems to be. if anything, slightly less loquacious.

"Ram-wave ... energize," are his introductory remarks blasts what is described as a soldenite mock-up of the Mekon through the roof of his

His dumpy little batman. Digby, gives a squeal of what one assumes to be delight, and moments later the two of them plus the lovely Professor Jocelyn Peabody are on their way, like it or not, to another vesterday, confessed that his was not resurrected until about 18 months' time.

IN THE far off days of April 1950 the first words spoken by Dare the man be was? Al- and kidney pic. Some mistake, surely Mr sion and masquerading as his Some mistake, surely. Mr robotic plastic surgery to be-Jon Davidge, publishing come "more macho and director of Fleetway Publicacraggy" than before, the sustions, which this week picion is that he has also launches its revamped Eagle

become something of a wimp. magazine, appeared discon-To set a good example to a certed. "Well, a sort of become something of a wimp. new generation of young readin his new adventure, as he ers, he has eschewed smoking and abandoned his pipe.

He has, however, also dis-carded his officer's uniform in favour of a one-piece designer combat suit. Designer combat suit? Still worse, he has become a strict vegetarian. Well, not exactly. His dis-

succession of alien invaders. Then for some reason things embodied voice, relayed to the signed. Ten years later Eagle Science Museum in London itself disappeared, and Dan

vegetarian," he admitted.

During the last 40 years Dan

has had his ups and downs.

During the 1950s he was every

schoolboy's hero, forever

guarding the planet against a

sion and masquerading as his own great great grandson.

"It was not the most glori-

ous relaunch," Mr Davidge confessed vesterday. The glory days when Eagle

sold over a million copies a week had passed with the coming of television.

Now, with the help of a new adventure serial sgarting on BBC Radio Four tonight, the original, if modified, Dan will, it is hoped, return to rescue Planet Earth. From Saturday went wrong. In 1959 his cre- Eagle will appear in full ator, Frank Hampson, re- colour, and negotiations are colour, and negotiations are close to conclusion for a television series to begin in

warning By Peter Davenport FORTY-THREE of the victims of the Hillsborough disaster had no trace of alcohol in their blood and only 15 of the dead were found to have levels above the legal driving limit, the resumed

inquest into the deaths was told yesterday . The figures, the first detailed breakdown given, were produced by Dr Alexander Forrest, a consultant chemical pathologist at the Royal Hallamshire Hospital in Sheffield who carried out tests on blood samples of all but one of

the 95 victims. Since the disaster on April 15 last year, during the FA Cup semi-final between Liverpool and Nottingham Forest, there has been continuing debate about the effects

of alcohol on the events. The resumed Sheffield inquest will be limited in its scope because the Director of Public Prosecutions has yet to decide if there should be any criminal prosecutions arising out of the tragedy. The coroner. Dr Stefan Popper, told the jury of seven men and four women that they would hear evidence of why, when and where the 95 died but not how.

There would be no evidence from South Yorkshire police officers. Sheffield Wednesday club officials or stewards who were on duty at the ground.

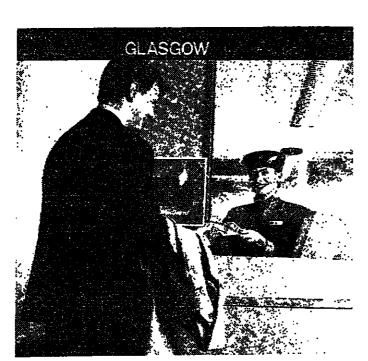
Dr Popper said: "No criticism or attack on any individual or corporation will be allowed and I will do nothing that will be detrimental to the DPP's inquiry."

if there is no decision to prosecute the inquest will resume and conclude hearing evidence before the jury re-turn verdicts. If charges are brought the inquest will remain adjourned until after any subsequent court proceedings before any decision is taken on whether it should conclude its

deliberations. The first of the deaths dealt with was that of Mr Colin Wafer, aged 19. According to medical evidence he died of traumatic asphyxia.

The inquest was adjourned

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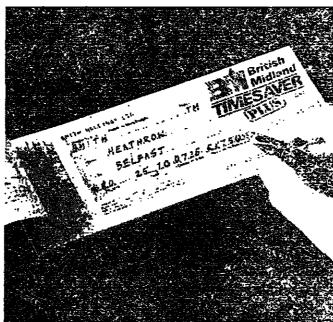
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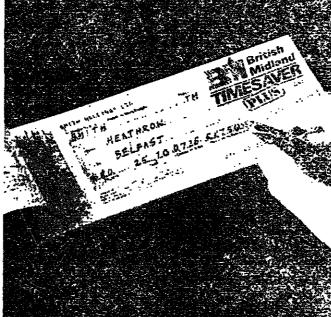
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# Baker bustles onward, community chargeometer at the ready



Mr Baker: Clark Gable of the Tories

IN HUSHED tones and with a certain girlish glee, the fine Tory womenfolk of Bury bustled around whispering about the imminent arrival of the

To the stranger they were imperious but once the name of Mr Kenneth Baker crossed their lips, these middle-aged Boudiccas suddenly came over all flushed like girls preparing for their first date or teenage fans waiting to catch a glimpse of their favourite film star.

Mr Baker is the best Clark Gable the Tory party has in its

senior ranks. Mr Michael Heseltine is much brasher, more Paul Newman. With his slicked back hair, winning smile and protective attention. Mr Baker did not let the loyal Tory ladies

"Let's have all the ladies," he announced to the assembled council candidates as the photographers got ready to snap the chairman on his first local election tour this year.

A photo-coup arrived in the shape of a nurse who is standing for the Tories in the local polls. Mr Baker did not lose a moment in setting up a shot which would suggest the Tories are the caring

didates in Bury, Mr Baker unveiled for the second time this month his main weapon against Labour - the community

While he might pass for Clark Gable in Bury, Mr Baker does not do a good impression of Robert Mackenzie. No swings for the Tory chairman, "Red's up at the top, blue's down at the bottom," he said as he indicated how Labour councils charge higher

A hesitant candidate interjected. "I do not think the community charge has been publicized enough," she said.

You could read the thoughts in some minds in the room -London riots, nationwide protests, fierce public debate and not publicized enough?

As Mr Baker waxed lyrical about the virtues of the poil tax as compared to a re-rating, one senior local Tory muttered: 'You're joking."

Fiften minutes with the Bury party and Mr Baker was off, after failing to meet a single voter. His day in the North-west - Bury, Rossendale, Bolton and Chorley -was not quite the "long march" followed by another chairman. Campaigning with Mr Baker is cars, mobile telephones, hotels and photo opportunities.

His message throughout the day was unwavering. "Conservative councils cost you less, Labour councils cost you more, he said at least a couple of dozen times in the morning. "That's the see of this election."

At Bolton his message remained the same despite the fact that the Tory headquarters in the town looked more like a bombed site - the result of several antipoll tax bricks through the windows.

"Whoever threw the bricks is annoyed that our campaign is

"Isn't it a reflection of unpopularity?" a local reporter asked. No." replied the chairman, haif way out the door on to another venue for his

chargeometer • Mr Baker last night attacked Labour's local government campaign as a "triumph for rhetoric over action, packaging over sub-stance and presentation over

He accused Mr Brian Gould and Dr Jack Cunningham, Labour front bench spokesmen, of running "a fraudulent campaign. cynical and dishonest".

# Kinnock says local elections will be poll tax referendum

LABOUR set out yesterday to ment. Only now were minelections on May 3 into a Government, with the poll tax

Mr Neil Kinnock, the party leader, said at the West-minster launch of Labour's campaign that the Government had imposed the heaviest tax burden in history and caused the highest unemployment in 50 years, as well as bringing the biggest debts and the widest trade deficit. The poll tax was not an exception to government policies, but an exemplification of them.

The Government that had produced such a tax had no sense of judgement and no

isters beginning to mouth the words of concession and compromise, and they were "incapable of regaining the trust of the majority".

Labour is committed to repealing the poll tax, but Mr Bryan Gould, the party's environment spokesman, said yesterday that it could be more than two years into the life of a Labour government before it was in a position to introduce a replacement.

Mr Kinnock said many of the 30 Labour MPs allegedly in favour of non-payment of the poll tax had come to realize that "those who make laws can't seek to change laws by breaking laws". He again integrity, he said. People felt, condemned those responsible for violence at demonstra-

and were right to feel, that for violence at demonstra-they had been conned and swindled by such a Govern-from both left and right had **Booklet dissects** Tory promises

By Our Political Editor

A BOOKLET turning the patient attendances by local election campaign into a 700,000.

long-range prejude for the next A Labour government general election has been would introduce "customer produced for Labour Party

the slogan "Labour, the people together with details of who who can, not the people who will provide them, the cost of con" and the booklet com- doing so and who to contact if pares Conservative promises things go wrong. and performance.

Instead of the zero inflation government policies, pub-which was the Government's lished to coincide with the aim, inflation has doubled in campaign for May 3 and two years, the booklet says. In entitled A Good Deal, says that Labour's last year of 1978, it this will provide clear targets was 8.3 per cent, the same as and disciplines for councils. the EC average. Now it is 7.5 per cent compared with an EC average of 5.4 per cent. The trade deficit, it says, has been over £1 billion for each of the Last 17 months.

Reminding voters of the "Labour isn't working" posters used by the Conservatives in 1979. Labour says that unemployment, at 1.7 million, is 51 per cent above 1979

record 15.4 per cent and have been under 10 per cent for only three months of this Government's time in office. The repayments on an average new mortgage since May 1988 has risen by £144 per month, the booklet says.

On the poll tax, it says the Government claimed the average bill would be £278. In authorities which would set practice it is £363.

Countering the Governservice is expanding the number of patients treated, Labour's pamphlet says the number of acute in-patient treatments fell last year by elections, which would take 30,000 and the number of out-

metics business, is trying to

create a range of cosmetics from tropical rain forest prod-

ucts, she disclosed yesterday

at a preview of a London con-

ference to discuss saving the

doxy that the only economic

potential of rain forests is for

Experts from throughout

the world will discuss

"extractive management" of

such as rubber, nuts, medi-

cines, oils and perfumes, while

leaving the forest itself intact.

licly given his blessing to the

this year, in which he spoke of

forest inhabitants, adding

There is a huge agricultural

potential wrapped up in the

Mrs Roddick said yesterday

that she felt that such a course versatile and profitable pro-

The Prince has already pub-

logging and clearance.

economy.

A Labour government roduced for Labour Party contracts" telling residents what services they should expect from local councils,

A revamp of Labour's local

The contracts are intended to set out such information as how often each street would be swept, how often litter bins would be emptied and the names and addresses of council officers.

Labour promises that council employees would be entitled to a minimum number of training days per year.

Outlining the practices of different Labour-controlled Mortgage rates are at a authorities, A Good Deal suggests that councils should give compensation to tenants if renairs are not carried out within a specified period and offer cash compensation to whose food arrives late or

Labour would set up a quality commission for local out a model complaints procedure. It would encourage ment's claim that the health councils to have their own ombudsmen and to conduct yearly residents' attitude surveys, with results having to be published in the run-up to

battened on to the issue. Dr Jack Cunningham, Labour's campaign co-ordinator, was at pains to play down gains. While the party was in buoyant mood after the Mid Staffordshire by election, the seats being contested were those last fought in 1986. Then Labour had gained 594 seats and had won control of

It would, he said, be an outstanding performance on May 3 simply to retain that position". Dr Cunningham and Mr Kinnock refused to name councils where they hoped to win control.

With the Conservatives promising that their councils would keep costs down, Mr Kinnock deliberately offered a contrasting approach based on Labour's belief that people were prepared to vote and pay for better public services. Labour councils would bring value for people as well as value for money".

Elections are being held for all seats in 32 London boroughs and nine Scottish regions and three islands. In addition there are contests for a third of the seats in 36 metropolitan districts and 120 non-metropolitan districts in England and Wales.

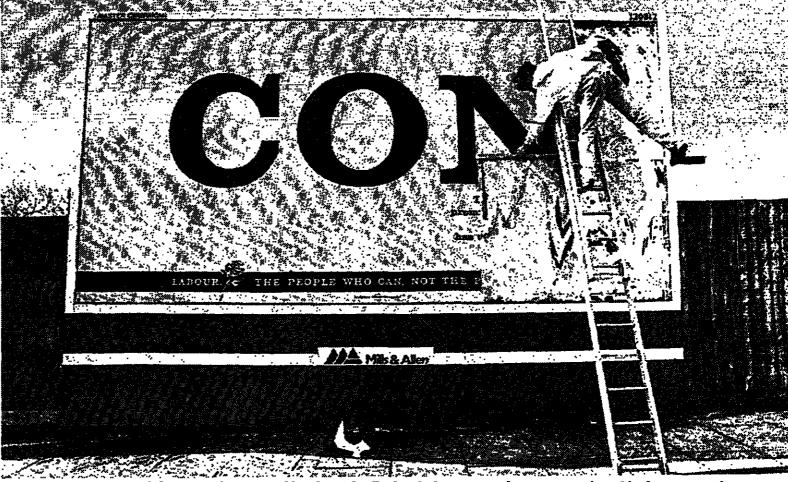
Of the London boroughs, Labour holds overall control in 15, the Conservatives in 12. the Liberal Democrats two. and three are hung councils. Of the 1,914 seats at stake, Labour will be defending 920, the Conservatives 696, the Liberal Democrats 175 and

In Scotland, Labour has overall control of four regional councils and minority control of one. Independents control one regional and three island councils, and there is no overall control in the other three, Labour will defend 223 seats, the Conservatives 61, the Liberal Democrats 41, the SNP 38, independents 151 and others 10.

In the English metropolitan districts, Labour has overall control of 30, the Conservatives of three. The Liberal Democrats have minority control of one and there is no overall control in the other two. Labour will defend 598 seats, the Conservatives 143. Liberal Democrats 87 and others 21.

Labour controls 43 of the non-metropolitan districts, the Conservatives 41, the Liberal Democrats seven, and there is overall control in 22. Labour is defending 693 seats, the Conservatives 629, Liberal Democrats 371, independents 83, and others 40.

Labour controls four of the five Welsh districts being contested, with no overall control in the other. Labour defends 42 seats, the Conservatives 13. Liberal Democrats six, and others eight.



Late billing: The Labour campaign poster taking shape after Dr Cunningham gave up the attempt to salvage his photo-opportunity



### Labour poster promotion comes unstuck for an MP

as Dr Jack Cunningham, the the designated poster site was to rectify the matter, offered Labour Party's local election campaign co-ordinator, was concerned.

Dr Cunningham was at Vauxhall Cross in south London promptly at 9.30 am yesterday morning for a "photo opportunity" with one Labour has booked to open its campaign for the local

echoes that of the full vertisements that began appearing in newspapers yesterday urging, "Don't fall for the the poster to another bill-Con," and promoting Labour board, just around the corner, as "the people who can, not but out of sight. the people who con".

They cannot put up their director of the poster advertisown posters, though, and ing company, Mills and Allen,

disobligingly blank, Dr Cun-apologies and Mr Charles ningham kicked his heels at Daniels, chairman of Mills but after frequent telephone calls to the bill-posting compa-ny's headquarters in Chessington, gave up and left for a press conference at Millbank. The bill stickers - more

precisely, a young man in a van - turned up at 11.15, one and three quarter hours late. compensation. The theme of the poster He had been the victim of a from headquarters, it turned out, and had already pasted

Mr Alan Campbell, regional

IT WAS all a bit of a con as far when Dr Cunningham arrived who arrived with a car phone the kerbside for over an hour, and Allen, said last night: "It was sod's law. With 25 to put up all over the country in principal metropolitan areas. they all went up right except

> last night to give Labour at least another 25 sites as Mr Bryan Gould, who was

to have shared the honour of launching the poster campaign with Dr Cunningham, drove up, appreciated that all was not well, and showing finely honed political instincts. drove away from the throng of photographers and reporters and parked down the road.

# Party's 'tinpot dictators' attacked

By Kerry Gill

FOR the second time this week, the "tinpot dictators" of the Labour Party were criticized for their mishandling of local government, council junketing and arrogant abuse of power.

Yesterday, it was the Scottish National Party that lambasted Labour's record in local government, days after an attack by Mr Michael Forsyth, chairman of the Scottish Conservative Party.

The nationalists published a 10-point charter for local democracy that they claimed would establish the rights and responsibilities essential for healthy local government in Scotland.

Mr Michael Russell, vice-convenor of the SNP, said that, if it were carried out, the charter would bring genuine democracy to council chambers: "For too long, Labour have abused their control of councils, running them like tin-pot dictators in charge of one-party states,"

"Many Labour councillors act as if they owned Scottish local government, as if councils were there for their benefit to provide them with expenses and foreign holidays, rather than to serve the

The charter includes proposals that the responsibilities of councils would be guaranteed in a written constitution of an independent Scotland, and that government interference would be kept at a minimum, ensuring that councils were free to raise and spend their

resources as they saw fit. The community charge would be abolished and replaced by a local income tax. Non-domestic rates would make way for a local business tax. Both would

be based on the ability to pay. The nationalists would create singletier, multi-purpose councils elected by

proportional representation. The charter iso says that councillors ought to be paid salaries commensurate with their

responsibilities. In order to curb "junketing", the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities should draw up a code of practice covering overseas visits, the charter says. Councillors would have to show that the visit would benefit the community.

Mrs Kathleen McAlorum, an SNP member of Motherwell District Council. said: "The need for genuine democracy and people power in local government is one of the principle demands emerging in the campaign for next month's regional elections.

Scottish local government is under threat from the twin tyrannies of a hostile Tory government, attacking it from above through privatization and the poli tax, and authoritarian Labour abuse, letting it rot from within."

#### get third bridge A THIRD bridge to span the Forth estuary may be built to vears, it emerged vesterday

Forth may

cater for the burgeoning traffic volumes expected in the east of Scotland over the coming Kerry Gill writes). A final decision is expected

within the next 12 months and, if approval is given, the new crossing would be in place shortly after the turn of the century.

Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Under-Secretary of State at the Scottish Office, said there had been substantial pressure for a new bridge between the Lothians and Fife as traffic flow on the existing road bridge was approaching the density of the Severn Bridge.

A site for the bridge has not been pinpointed, but it would be almost certainly placed upstream from the existing

Pitch blessing

Mr Paul Weiham, a Rugby League forward with Hull FC, will make his history at the club's Boulevard ground when his marriage to Miss Donna Gray is blessed on the pitch. The idea for the service on June 16 came from Miss Gray, who had never seen a rugby match before meeting Mr Welham last May.

Ex-judge's post

Mr John Murray, QC. a former Senator of the College of Justice in Scotland, is to be the first holder of the Dickson Minto Chair of Company and Commercial Law at Edinburgh University. Mr Murray, as Lord Dervaird, resigned as a judge last year in the wake of allegations of homosexual behaviour.

Retail degrees

The Post Office is sponsoring a £250,000 chair in retailing at Manchester Business School to help shopkeepers prepare for the single European market after 1992,

# Rain-forest cosmetics on way

By Michael McCarthy, Environment Correspondent

concern that extractive management should not itself become another form of There would have to be

forests by the market rightful share of profits. The conference, entitled Mrs Roddick said: "The The Rainforest Harvest, will be opened by Prince of Wales, subject is fraught with diffiand will challenge the orthoculties and, commercially, is

ever stepped into. "The real question is, can are dealing with some of the most knowledgeable and senthe forests by local people to sitive people on the planet provide non-wood products can we trade with them honourably?"

the most sensitive area I have

Mrs Roddick, whose Body Shop business has made her Britain's fourth-richest woman but not diminished idea in a speech at Kew earlier her enthusiasm for environmental campaigning, said that the "genocide" of indigenous her company was trying to create a range of 10 cosmetics from rain forest products. She hoped that they might be on the market in "about a year".

Brazil nuts were the most

MRS Anita Roddick, founder was the only hope for saving duce, she said. The oil could the Royal Geographical Socion the Body Shop natural cost the forests, but she expressed be used as a skin softener. She also displayed Urucum

seeds, which give a pure red pigment that could be used in lipstick; Babussu, a palm oil that could be used to soothe tight agreements so that forest burns: Murumuru, and Andipeoples, such as indians and roba oil, plant extracts that rubber-tappers, received their could be used as emollients: and Breu Branco, a resin from tree roots that smells like sandalwood.

Mrs Roddick has paid three visits to the Kayapo indians in Brazil's Xingu province, and some of the products she commerce really be green? We hopes to use have been shown to her by them. Other products have been drawn to her attention, she said, by Dr Ghillean Prance, director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, at Kew, and a principal backer of next month's conference.

Mrs Roddick disclosed that her company is also talking with the American maker of the most successful such product so far marketed, Rainforest Crunch, a confectionery bar made with rain forest brazil nuts and cashew nuts, with a view to producing it under licence in Britain.

ety, is being held by an impressive alliance of bodies, including the RGS, the Royal Botanic Gardens, Body Shop, Friends of the Earth, the Ford Foundation, the International Institute for Environment and Development, and, in an unusual move, the Government. through the Overseas Dev-

elopment Administration. Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister for Overseas Development, will address the conference.

Mr Koy Thomson, rain forest campaigner for Friends of the Earth, said yesterday that he hoped that the con-ference would influence the way in which British aid for the rain forests is used, in particular the £100 million promised by Mrs Thatcher when addressing the United Nations last November.

It was being held to coincide, and contrast, with a meeting in Bali of the International Tropical Timber Organization, which, he said, was "held up internationally firm, Redland Aggregate Ltd, as an organization to protect had planned to wait for the the rain forests, but only Next month's conference, at concerns itself with wood". local council had taken longer

### Firm bulldozed sand martins' nests to cut delay, court told

ing site rather than wait three footpath across the site ecuted with Mr Quinn, aged months for the eggs to hatch moved.

46, of Annesley Road, Newlay men off, a court was told yesterday. When a bird watcher com-

plained to the firm at Hurst, season. Berkshire, the project manager told him he was not aware that destroying nests was a criminal offence. The bird watcher, Mr Brian Bennett, told Bracknell mag-

istrates that for several years fly the nests. he had been keeping an eye on the colony and had seen the sand martins increase from about 20 pairs in 1986 to more than 100 pairs in 1989. A week before the nests

were destroyed he had warned the gravel firm that the colony would be in danger unless work was halted.After he discovered the sandy bank had been bulldozed, he rang the project manager, Frank Quinn, to complain. Mr Quinn told him that the

GRAVEL firm chose to than expected to decide their Bradgate House, Groby, destroy a sand martins' nest- application to have a public Leicestershire, is being pros-

and when the council ap-

middle of the birds' breeding Mr Bennett, of Woodley, said he spoke to a digger driver, Anthony McMahon, at the site who said the work wild birds' eggs. All three have would be deferred for three

months to let the young birds digger had been used to level the sand bank.

Mr Quinn told him on the telephone that the destruction of the colony had been "regrettable" and added: "That particular site was the last gravel to be extracted." had not gone ahead, con-

tractors would have had to lay men off. Mr Bennett told the magistrates: "I asked him if he knew that destroying birds' nests is an offence and he said birds to finish nesting but the he didn't know that."

Redland Aggregate, of

and the young to be reared That had set the gravel port Pagnell, and Mr Mo-because it could not afford to extraction behind schedule Mahon, aged 37, of Steptoe and when the council ap- Close, Grove, Oxfordshire, proval finally came, it was the under the Wildlife and Countryside Act. They are jointly accused that between May 10 and May 16 last year they destroyed

> pleaded not guilty. A third charge, of destroying wild birds in the colony, However, when Mr Bennett was dropped after magistrates returned a week later the ruled there was insufficient

nests which were in use and

Mrs Eve Mee, a weighbridge clerk at the site, told the court she was telephoned by Mr Bennett and told about the sand martin colony being

wiped out. Mrs Mee, of Winnersh, said Mr Quinn said that if work she then talked to Mr Quinn. "I said that it was a shame the birds had been destroyed. He said people's jobs would be affected, I would be made redundant and you could not afford to be sentimental in

business ' The case continues today.

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# Tubes were part of gun, Ridley assures House

tirely satisfied that the tubes seized by Customs and Excise as they were about to be exported to Iraq formed part of a gun, Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, told MPs yesterday.

Labour MPs criticized the Government for failing to act earlier and there were calls for Mr Ridley to resign. The opposition spokesman said that the Government had been deceived and dured on a count carlo and duped on a grand scale.

In a statement to the Com-mons when the House resumed after the Easter recess, Mr

#### Exports to Japan up 29%

Britain's manufactured exports to Japan increased by 29 per cent last year, to
£1,938 million, "quite an
achievement", Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State
for Trade and Industry,

said at Commons questions. Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab) said there was still a huge surplus in fa-your of Japan and the improvement referred to by the Secretary of State was only

a "fica-bite" Mr Ridley said that Britain was on course to double exports to Japan in three

#### Tributes paid to peer

When the House of Lords resumed yesterday, tributes were paid to Lord Bruce-Gardyne, a former Conservative Treasury minister, who died during the recess.

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Lord Bruce of Donington, Opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs, said the whole House regretted his untimely death. During the past 18 months, Lord Bruce-Gardyne had shown "exemplary courage in the face of adversity".

The Earl of Caithness Paymaster General, said the House would wish to

#### **British Steel** 'transformed'

British Steel had secured a huge transformation to make it one of the most efficient and productive steel industries in the world, Mr Douglas Hogg, Minister of State for Industry, said

during Commons questions. In 1980, the UK proin 1988, the figure was 347

#### UDR deaths

An application by the Rev lan Paisley (Antrim North, DUP) for an emergency debate on the murder of four Ulster Defence Regiment soldiers by the IRA last week was rejected by the

Parliament today Commons (2.30); Questions: Agriculture, Fisheries and Food; Prime Minister. British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill, second

reading. Lords (3): National Health Service and Community Care Bill, committee, first day.

#### **IRAQI ORDER**

Ridley said that indications were that the tubes stopped at Teesport in Cleveland were part of a gun, albeit one of a scale outside anything previously experienced.

He added: "Until a few days ago, my department had no knowledge that the goods were designed to form part of a gun. If my department had known that number then they would of purpose, then they would of course have advised that licences were necessary, and they would not have been granted.

"The Government recently came aware in general terms of an Iraqi project to develop a long-range gnn based on designs developed by the late Dr Gerald Bull. The goods that were seized at Teesport, and related documents, are consistent with what it leaves of De Bulls document. is known of Dr Bull's design."

He congratulated the customs for stopping the export of the parts and he understood that it would not be possible to build a full-size gun from the parts already supplied.

already supplied.

Mr Gordon Brown, chief
Opposition spokesman on trade
and industry, said that since
1988 the Department of Trade
had had access to specifications
and drawings and could have
had access to the contract
governing the export order.
Why had no action been taken
in that time?

The Government had taken no action even after it was known in June 1988 that the Space Research Corporation of Dr Gerald Bull was involved.

No action had been taken even when the Walter Somers company said to the department that they had evidence of an aiming and positioning device being ordered by Iraq.

Meetings should have taken place on that matter between the department, the Ministry of Defence and the Foreign Office.

"Does he share my surprise that there could be any question of prosecuting the company for any contravention of regula-Why had nothing been said for a week after Costoms and Excise had seized the consign-ment and the media had been tions or lack of good faith in this matter?" (Labour shouts of "Resign" to Mr Ridley). briefed that this was merely a petro-chemical order? Mr Ridley said that it would be wrong to answer the last part of the question since that would prejudice any possible pro-ceedings.

"This Government has been deceived and duped on a grand scale and, but for the intervention of Customs and Excise staff, serious military con-sequences could have resulted." There had been slackness and complacency of an almost crim-

inal dimension.

"Is Mr Ridley's department would come knocking at Britging to accept responsibility and will be now announce he is to be maintained. Clearly that

cumpability?"

Mr Ridley: I must say that is going over the top on a scale outside anything previously experienced (laughter). I do seriously counsel him not to

LABOUR MPs clashed with the Speaker (Mr Bernard Weather-ill) over the time he had allowed

for questions about the seizure of metal tubes bound for Iraq.

After 20 minutes of questioning of the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, the Speaker

indicated that he soon intended

are always doing this. You know he is in trouble. You are

Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab) said: He is on the

Mr Skinner said that he sus-pected the existence of a hitherto unknown standing order

to move to the next business. Mr Tony Banks (Newham North West, Lab) shouted: You

Labour angry at

'cut' questions

Customs and Excise are considering taking out prosecutions I cannot answer detailed questions without prejudicing the rights of people who may be on trial and it would be quite wrong to pre-campt any trial by what I say in the House of Commons.

Sir John Stokes (Halesowen and Stourbridge, C) said that Walter Somers, a long established and highly respected firm in his constituency, had acted in close co-operation with the Department of Trade and Industry.

Replies he had received from the department and from another department had been in terms of the television series Yes, Minister. This difficult situation should be cleared up as quickly as possible.

Mr David Howell (Guildford, C) said that Iraq might have already used chemical long-range delivery weapons and had threatened recently to do so against Israel.

Would he assure MPs that nothing would be done to appease the immensely dan-gerous ambitions of this ugly regime and its dictator? Mr Ridley replied that no-

body could condone the plans Iraq was thought to have. It was quite right to control strictly the export of armament

Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Birmingham, Perry Barr, Lab) said that this country was the world's second largest arms supplier.

Every riff-raff country looking

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which was to protect ministers

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) said that he had never before heard a minister

refuse to answer a perfectly legitimate question because there might be a case.

Mr David Nellist (Coventry South East, Lab) said that only five MPs had still been trying to ask questions when the Speaker had ended the exchanges.

The Speaker said that he could easily have allowed questions to run on, but that would be unfair to those who wished to

speak in the subsequent debate

New moves on cot deaths Sir Hal Miller (Bromsgrove, C) said that, more than two years ago, he had made to the Department of Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Defence and a third agency an offer by Waker Comercy to problems. the findings of an expert work-ing group before acting on claims that the emission of toxic gases from soiled mattresses Walter Somers to withdraw from the contract or to meet it or to enable it to be traced or just to carry on with it.

In reply to pressure from both sides of the Commons yesterday He had repeated that offer 12 and a charge of complacency from the Labour front bench, Mr Eric Forth, Under Secretary of State for Industry and Con-

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somer Affairs, said that the Government was taking a respon-sible and measured view.

Mr Nicholas Ridley, whom the Opposition said had been duped on a grand scale

Mr Forth said that the Department of Health had written to the Department of Trade and Industry on June 7 last year about research by Dr Barry Richardson into cot deaths and a copy of Dr Richardson's report had been received by the department on June 12.

As a result, the laboratory of been asked to undertake a scientific assessment of the research work. A group of in-dependent experts had also been asked to investigate further claims by Dr Richardson about

# Solicitors will have to accept 'cab rank' rule

the Lords and accepted a change to the Courts and Legal Services Bill requiring solicitors acting as advocates to operate the "cab rank" rule, Sir Patrick Mayhew, Attorney General, told the Commons vesterday.

Under the rule at present, barristers are required to take cases offered to them, popular or unpopular, difficult or easy. Moving the second reading of the Bill, which provides for extensive changes to the legal profession and ends several restrictive practices, Sir Patrick said that the Government had now decided to accept the

principle of the Lords amend-ment on the "cab rank" rule. That amendment excluded those rights of audience in the of about 350 staff.

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enjoyed at present.

The Government proposed, having consulted the Law Society and the Bar Council, that the Bill should provide for a wider application of the "cab rank" principle. It would apply to all rights of audience granted by any professional body in whatever court or proceedings.

The Government would bring forward its own amendment to give effect to the policy in due

give effect to the policy in due course and, consistently with the principle of non-discrimination, would bring forward amendments to apply to the Bar the Race Relations Act, 1976, and the Sar Discrimination Act. and the Sex Discrimination Act, 1975, to cover discrimination in professional relationships at the Bar and between barristers and those instructing them.

Sir Patrick said that in the

Government's opinion, going to law in civil cases was all too often unduly complex, was needlessly inconvenient, took too long and could be dispropor-

tionately expensive.

The first part of the Bill was intended to make public access to justice simpler, quicker and

more convenient. The second part of the Bill, on the development of legal services for the public, would lead to better and more efficient administration of justice. The High Court would be

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reserved for judicial review eral cases of unusual substance,

importance or difficulty.

That would speed the handling of those cases and would make cheaper, speedier and more convenient procedures and services in the county courts where cases were smaller and less complex.

The road to the reform would have to be travelled by stages, but much of the necessary work

Extra funds were available this year to provide for court services as a whole an increase

claims procedure justified the Government's claim that it would make public access to justice simpler, quicker, more convenient and more cost effective. When so much was in train it was idle to criticize the Bill for not containing a big

element on legal aid.

The legal profession had undergone in recent years many great changes, many of which they had instituted themselves. But it was no less important to help that evolution to continue by ensuring that there were no unnecessary restrictions hinder-ing the public in obtaining legal

The general test should be whether the restriction was appropriate to maintain the proper and efficient administration of justice; if it was not, it should be

should go.
The Government proposed that rights of audience before a particular court should depend solely on whether advocates could demonstrate that they had the appropriate education and training and were bound by appropriate codes of conduct.

The courts and the public would have to be satisfied that advocates could meet the high standards of competence and

# Whats the world comma to Find out every Thursday

# odging the planners

By Robert Morgan

AS PARLIAMENT reassembles after the Easter break, government business managers are finding that three hours a week of their valuable time are having to be devoted to private Bills. A backlog of more than a

n private Bills now stands on the Order Paper, and if opponents keep up their fight, almost every Thursday evening, between now and the end of July will have to be devoted to debating these measures. Thursdays being the traditional days for the consideration of opposed private business.

Private Bills gets less atten-tion than any other par-liamentary business, yet they are of vital importance and can have wide repercussions.

Anyone may promote a pri-vate Bill, but in the main they are brought forward by three broad groups: British Rail and other transport undertakings; local authorities; and companies wishing to undertake big construction works.

It is the last category that is causing the blockage in the parliamentary system because opponents believe that Parliament has no role to play. They argue that companies wishing to build docks and other constructions should go through the normal local planning proce-dures where, they believe, their plans would be rejected. In the Commons, a sympathetic Government with a big majority can ensure that such proposals get

Both Houses became concerned about the private Bill procedure and in 1987 they set up a joint committee to examine the issue. Nearly two years ago it published a 290-page report containing 52 conclusions and

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recommendations. So far the Government has failed to act and the tone of Sir Geoffiey Howe, Leader of the House, in a debate before Christmas, suggests that it is not minded to act in the near future, if at all. Opponents of the private Bill

procedure, mainly Labour MPs, believe that the system is being abused by the introduction of "political" elements and the use of unofficial whipping by the Government to get Bills

Among the most contentious in recent years have been those promoted by Associated British Ports to allow the company to expand harbour facilities at Immingham on the Humber and Port Taibot in South Wales. MPs from mining areas maintained that the reason for expanding the ports was to allow

the import of cheap coal from South Africa and elsewhere. They complained that min-isters, including the Prime Min-ister, were coming to the Commons specifically to vote the measures through. Mr Den-nis Skinner, Labour MP for Bolsover and an arch-opponent of the private Bill procedure, said that Mrs Margaret Thatcher once turned up in her bedroom

slippers.

Many MPs want such issues dealt with by a local planning inquiry where opponents to the project would get a better hearing. The joint committee accepted the argument and suggested that all works proposals for which a private Bill was at present required "should instead be authorized through non-parliamentary procedures involving the holding, where

necessary, of a public local inquiry into objections".

The committee gave further ammunition to the opponents of private legislation by suggesting that the carrying over of Bills from one session to the next should be limited; that no Bill should be carried over more than two sessions and that every Bill overstending when the Bill outstanding when Par-liament is dissolved should be subject to a separate revival bloc as at present.

The committee also came orward with detailed proforward with detailed pro-cedural changes to stop debates on technical motions which now

on technical motions which now cause delay. Many Bills to which there is no real opposition are delayed by opponents of later Bills using delaying tactics merely to clog the system.

The joint committee points the way to easing that bottleneck, too, by requiring reasons to be stated for blocking each Bill and requiring more MPs to sign blocking motions. sign blocking motions.

But none of these proposals seems set for early implementation. Sir Geoffrey told MPs that existing arrangements had worked quite well and had lasted a long time. Any changes should work as well and be as enduring.

He was looking at the matter. not only with a sense of urgency, but with some care.

When pressed to say when he would come forward with changes, Sir Geoffrey said this session, but admitted that some changes might require "substan-

Unless he acts soon, Cons vative backbenchers will find many of their Thursday eve-nings spent in the division lobbies rather than on the way back to their constituencies for the weekend.

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# Solidarity seeks fresh role in a post-communist Poland

FRESH paint's characteristic odour masks the whiff of cordite in Gdansk's Oliwa Hall; it was here that Solidarity, in the precarious days of 1981, called on the workers of the Warsaw Pact to cast off their chains. Moscow's tanks immediately began revving their engines, and General Jaruzelski, now the Polish President, put the finishing touches to his secret plans for martial law.

Now, as Solidarity gathers for its second congress, the terms have changed. The Warsaw Pact resembles a gentlemen's club in decline, strapped for cash and constantly losing members.

Mr Lech Walesa, the star of 1981, has put on weight and picked up a Nobel Peace Prize, and is aiming to be President. Mr Jacek Kuron, the gregarious dissident and Solidarity adviser, is now a chauffeur-driven minister.

The issue is not how to break the spine of totalitarian rule, but how best to use the new freedoms.

Solidarity must determine whether it

movement, or a governing party. That is a big enough agenda for a five-day congress, but it must in addition decide the future of Mr Walesa. Can he remain chairman of Solidarity and still stand for President of Poland?

Mr Andrezj Slowik, the Solidarity leader in Lodz, thinks not. "I am against one person accumulating both trade union and state functions," he said.

This is more than a family affair. The real task of the congress is to determine the new political balance in the postcommunist era. A year ago round-table talks agreed to give communists and their allies a dominant say in the lower house of Parliament, paved the way for free elections for the upper house, and provided for a communist President.

That formula has unravelled. The communists have split into two nominally social democratic parties. Mr Walesa manoeuvred Solidarity into government, and Mr Tadeusz Mazowiecki became East Europe's first noncommunist Prime Minister.

The fast-moving events in the dis-

integrating Eastern bloc have made Poland look rather behind the times. As President of Poland, Mr Walesa would put his foot on the accelerator.

This pits him directly against Mr Mazowiecki, his old adviser. The round table was precisely about recognizing limitations. Mr Mazowiecki would dearly like to plead openly for Lithua-nian independence but cannot; gov-ernmental Realpolitik constrains him. He needs another year of stable rule in which to implement unpopular monetarist policies and bring in a free market.

Mr Walesa, however, will not give him this time. In General Jaruzelski, Mr Mazowiecki has a very pliant President. If Mr Walesa were to take over the considerable powers of the presidency, Mr Mazowiecki would have a constant fight on his hands.

The lines of confrontation at the congress are thus very complex. There are Solidarity delegates who, although no friends of Mr Walesa, will urge him to run for the presidency of Poland simply to ease him out of the union chairmanship. In their view, Solidarity has lost

because Mr Walesa wants to be a partner, indeed the senior partner, in government rather than a demanding trade unionist

The union has only a quarter of its 1981 membership, that is about 2.5 million (only about a million of whom pay their dues). As the economy falters, so the union has weakened. Although Solidarity deputies set the pace in the Polish Parliament, the trade union has no real lobby there.

Solidarity, then, has to recover its union roots and find a thrusting chairman. Mr Walesa is not afraid to challenge the Government, but he does so from different motives. His large new Gdansk house, surrounded by apple trees, symbolizes his distance from workers who feel cheated by market reforms. If Mr Walesa yields the chairmanship of the union, what is left for him? — the network of citizens' committees, political cells that are supposed to ginger up reform.

They are led by Professor Zdzislaw Najder, Mr Walesa's nominee and a

former director of Radio Free Europe. Together they are creating an embryo political party, also under a Solidarity banner but quite distinct from the trade union. This will be the platform for Mr Walesa, should he launch a bid for the Polish presidency.

There is, in this swirl of politicking, a great deal of dirty and underhanded conspiracy. A forged interview between Professor Bronislaw Geremek, head of the Solidarity caucus, and Hanna Krall, a respected journalist, has been circulating among parliamentary deputies. Its intent was plainly anti-Semitic, with much talk of Jews wanting to seize

But this is only one symptom of the infighting between the social democratic wing of Solidarity (broadly represented by Professor Geremek) and the ultra-nationalists, who still march under the Solidarity banner.

There is considerable grassroots revulsion against such scheming, and considerable pressure on congress delegates to maintain a unified Solidarity movement. Partly this is sentimental, partly a recognition that open splits will plunge Poland into a panicky limbo.

Mr Walesa's rating in popularity polls has dropped significantly over the past two months, while Mr Mazowiecki's remains surprisingly high. This is because of resentment at Mr Walesa's sniping against the Government. Mr Walesa concluded that either he should stop criticizing or take on the formal responsibilities of power. responsibilities of power.

The lesson to be drawn from countries such as Britain, Mr Walesa's advisers say, is that a society cannot successfully introduce a decentralized market economy while dispersing political authority. The transition needs strong central government - something that is missing from the present Solidarity line-up.

Mr Walesa should thus graduate from workers' champion to statesman. Whether the congress will give its plessing is another matter.

In the words of Mr Wladyslaw Frasyniuk, the Solidarity leader from Wroclaw: "Solidarity must now show that it is more than a tool for dismantling the communist system."

# Soviet graft investigators win support of parliament

From Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

TWO Soviet investigators forfeiting their immunity in turned popular heroes won a signal victory against the Soviet establishment yes-terday when the Soviet parliament, the Supreme Soviet, voted against removing their immunity from prosecution and recommended instead a

The head of the Soviet judiciary, the Chief Procurator, Mr Aleksandr Sukharyov, is now expected to resign or be dismissed.

A resolution passed by the parliament, after nearly two days of heated debate, said that the investigators - Mr Telman Gdlyan and Mr Nikolai Ivanov - should lose their posts with the Soviet procuratorate, although they could retain their immunity from

They were warned to end their political activity or risk

#### Estonia to print own currency

By Rodney Lord **Economics Editor** 

ESTONIA has signed a contract with an unnamed foreign firm to print banknotes with a face value of 100 million new krone to replace the Soviet rouble, making it the first constituent Soviet republic to produce its own currency.

Postfactum, the independent news agency, yesterday quoted Mr Rain Otsasson, president of the Estonian Bank, as saying that printing would start next week. The new notes, to go into circulation from December 24, will be slightly larger than a 10rouble note. Printing costs are put at £1.5 million.

Estonia, like any other member of the Soviet Union wanting to declare monetary independence, faces difficult negotiations with Moscow over how to handle the consequences, the central question being what to do with the unwanted mubles for which the new currency will be exchanged.

When new currencies have been adopted by countries emerging from economic and political dependence in the past, holdings of the previous currency have been retained by the government as the core of the country's foreign ex-change reserves. This was the pattern adopted by Britain's

The rouble has two deficiencies in this respect. First, since it is not freely convertible into other currencies - and is not likely to be for at least 10 years - it is of limited value as a reserve currency.

Second, the usefulness of holdings of unconvertible roubles depends heavily on continuing good relations with the rest of the Soviet Union.

The resolution also ordered

the judiciary, the police and the KGB to identify and punish those responsible for monitoring the work of the committee is also to be set up top-level inquiry into the to investigate official whole judicial system.

For the past year the two investigators have been campaigning vociferously against charges that some of their methods constituted "gross violations of the law".

In so doing, they have accused members of the Soviet leadership, including President Gorbachov, of sheltering bribe-takers. Mr Ivanov last week made an unauthorized broadcast on Leningrad television in which he repeated the allegations.

The Gdlvan-Ivanov case, as it became known, developed into a rallying point for those convinced - through experience or rumour - that the entire bureaucracy is riddled with corruption.

The two investigators, as "little men" with the guts to take on the system, attracted the same constituency of sup-port as Mr Boris Yeltsin, the ousted Moscow party leader. They were elected to the

Congress of People's Deputies last year on a wave of popular support for their defiance, and members of their campaign team also gained seats in last month's local and republican elections.

The only difference between the two investigators and Mr Yeltsin was that they were expected to lose. Before yesterday's Supreme Soviet session, called to debate a parliamentary commission's report into the conduct of the two investigators, it had been predicted that parliament would simply remove their parliamentary privilege and so expose them to immediate prosecution.

On Monday more than 10,000 people joined a demonstration outside the Kremlin in their support. Many shouted slogans proclaiming the innocence of the two investigators; some even condemned Mr Gorbachov for - as they saw it tolerating a corrupt judiciary

for so long. In the event, the parliamentary commission, which was chaired by the historian and erstwhile Marxist dissident, Mr Roy Medvedev, found the charges of misconduct against Mr Gdlyan and Mr Ivanov proved and called for their

It went on, however, to set their misdemeanours in the context of the Soviet judicial system as a whole, laying particular blame on the Chief Procurator, Mr Sukharyov, and other senior law officials. They, it said, had fully

supported the work of the two investigators until their inquiries threatened to become a political embarrassment.



## Intellectuals in **Baltic squeeze**

From Anatol Levin, Tallinn

WHEN Professor Yuri Afan- land, but with a different kind asyev, a leader of the Russian of love ... Democratic Platform, announced to a Lithuanian rally 10 days ago that the republic's declaration of independence marks the beginning of the end of the Russian Empire" he may be a hope, but for most Russians in the Baltic is definitely a fear.

Many Russian intellectuals here support the independence movement, but they are well aware that they are a minority in their own nationality. Their position is not happy, caught as they are between the expectations of their indigenous friends of unconditional support for independence and accusations "treachery" from the Russians.

Dr Yevgeni Golikov is one of the leaders, with Professor Afanasyev, of the Democratic Platform in Moscow, deputy editor of the Russian maga zine Politika in Estonia, and a supporter of Estonian independence. "Many Russians call me a traitor," he told me last week, "but I believe my stance is that of a Russian patriot.'

He quoted the writer Lermontov: "I love my Mother-



Professor Afanasyev: His hope is others' fear

Mr Golikov did not quote another verse by the same poet beginning "Farewell to unwashed Russia ..." The traditional gap between the Russian intelligentsia and the the Russian working classes is however a crucial factor in Russian politics here.

In the words of Mr Dimitri Mikhailov, chairman of a Russian cultural society which supports the Estonian Popular Front: "What is the point of our immersing ourselves in the sea of workers? We would lose our identity and their cultural level would hardly be

Reflecting the "Westerniz-ing" strand in the Russian intellectual tradition, Mr Golikov said: "My position is that of a Western democrat living on the border of Europe. I see in this a certain chance for the Russian nation. I feel that, through living in Estonia. I have grown to be a freer person than my fellow intellectuals in Moscow and Leningrad, and I think that my duty as a Russian living here will be to transmit this to the Russian

> Reflecting a view shared by many Russian conservatives, Mr Golikov spoke of the "cultural genocide" practised by the Soviet system against Russia itself. This was echoed indirectly by a leading member of the Soviet Communist party in Lithuania, Mr Mikhail Alexeyev, who said that the Russian population's "lack of their own cultural identity" is one reason for their "insecurity and tension".

Many Russian intellectuals in the Baltic have become so much a part of the local independence movement that they are incapable of considering the possibility — so real to most ordinary Russians that the break-up of the Soviet empire could lead to great suffering for the Russian population in its outlying republics.

#### **Exodus** hits East German output

From Anne McElvoy

EAST Germany's outdated industry, stricken by the exodus of workers to the West, has suffered a greater than expected slump in productive ity, according to figures released yesterday.

The Government Office for Statistics, free for the first time to report the unvarnished truth on the state of the country's industry, said that industrial output in the first quarter of the year had fallen 4.7 per cent behind the figure for the same period last year. Herr Arno Donda, who

heads the statistics office, said that 124,000 posts were now unfilled in industry, while the building sector was short of 33,000 workers. New ecological pressures

had caused many factories to decrease pollution, thereby also reducing productivity.

Meanwhile, in an attempt to dispense with a glut of over-priced and old-fashioned electrical goods, East German stores yesterday drastically cut the prices of colour televisions and radios. The most popular home-produced colour tele-vision, which sold for 4,900 Ostmarks (£1,700), has been halved in price in an attempt to woo custom back from West Germany.

In another development Herr Friedrich Wolff, the president of East Germany's Lawyers' Association, warned yesterday that legal services were sliding into chaos in the climate of uncertainty,

• BONN: Border formalities along the inter-German frontier could be abolished by midsummer, officials said vesterday (Girard Steichen writes).

The West German Interior Minister, Herr Wolfgang Schauble, and his East German counterpart, Herr Peter-Michael Diestel, meeting in Bonn. said the era of Cold War espionage between the two countries had largely ended.

# Mitterrand to meet Bush for talks on Nato's future

the Florida coast today for a

brief meeting with President Bush at which the future of the expected to concentrate on discussing the role of France

in the much changed equation of European security. Although both sides are emphasizing that the two leaders get on excellently and fully respect each other's policy positions, sources here say that M Mitterrand is in no mood to be pressured about

his country's relations with According to one wellplaced observer, France will resist any plans for restructuring the alliance that Paris considers "go too far" towards turning Nato into an organization dealing with worldwide

At the same time, the French Government remains unswervingly opposed to participation in Nato's integrated military structure. According to Elvsée Palace sources, the Americans have never made any such request officially "and in private they have actually distanced the US from the British campaign, which they consider to be

mistaken". The same sources also insist that there is no reason why the US should now raise objections to the Gaullist defence doctrine that has kept American troops off French soil.

The view from Washington may well be different, but some observers here consider it significant that Mr Bush told The Times earlier this week that the US has turned down the idea of appointing a French officer to head the integrated command.

Recently floated by the Pentagon as a possible inducement for "movement" by the French on this touchy issue, the idea was coolly received in military circles here. As M

# From Philip Jacobson, Paris

and broad policy objectives on the method by which a unified nity's role in developing a new definition of European security as particularly important. The same goes for the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

President Mitterrand's recent musings on the need for a reflecting widespread unease "European axis of defence" should not cause concern in among younger people - over the White House, according to the lack of positive leadership M Hubert Vedrine, the Elysée from the Elysée Palace in spokesman. "We are talking recent months. about the same issue, how Western Europe can play a more important role in the alliance. There is nothing new or threatening in that for the

AN AIR France Concorde will Mitterrand readily concedes, seeking to replace the Atlantic speed President Mitterrand to France shares the Bush alliance with a system of Administration's concerns collective security within and broad policy objectives on Europe, M Vedrine insisted. "It is vital to maintain proper Atlantic alliance will head the Germany can be integrated defence and a real alliance into Nato without unduly with the US ... We must keep In the few hours available to alarming Moscow. Paris re- a counter-balance to the

Like Mrs Thatcher, M Mitterrand was sent on his way to the mini-summit with some highly unwelcome opinion polls. His personal support has slipped sharply to below 50 per cent, apparently among the French - above all,

With internal fends still convulsing the Socialist Party and the debate on immigra-tion and racism at its height, M Mitterrand seems increasingly reluctant to take a firm There was no question of stand on important issues.

### **Shadow Chancellor** courts America

From Peter Stothard, US Editor, Washington

the Exchequer, Mr John Smith, tested the language of the Labour Party in Washington yesterday and found that, while US officials did not like the idea of "managed" exchange rates, they were quite happy with "influence" or "ironing out".

Thus ended the trip to explain the new Kinnockisms to the United States Treasury. the International Monetary Fund and the economic zones of the White House. Mr Smith said that he was "an enthusiast" for the G7 process of influencing currency fluctuations and had learnt a great deal about how it worked.

He told his listeners that Labour's "spasm" of objections to the operation of markets had passed. The party had realized, he said, that an economic policy driven by



Mr Smith: Careful net to

THE Shadow Chancellor of only national considerations the Exchequer. Mr John would not succeed He expressed his satisfaction at President Bush's remarks, in an interview with The Times on Monday, that any special relationship with Britain will continue under Labour. He said that his talks were marked by a "cordiality" that would not have been present four years ago. He was careful, however,

not to push his luck before US audiences which, while having some differences with Mrs Thatcher over European integration, are essentially more at ease with Tory free market credentials than with Labour economic management, by whatever name it is known. He refused to be drawn into direct criticism of either the Prime Minister or former President Reagan.

He restricted himself to calling for Britain to be "a vigorous member of the EC". He promised only that Labour would take Britain into the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System as long as the entry rate was right, that the move would not be deflationary, and that it was backed by a strong regional policy.

Future visits to spread Labour's economic word are to take place later this year. In a city where "networking" of personal contacts is a preeminent source of power, Mr Smith is keen to get his face known. And he reminded them of the recent economists' poll which so greatly preferred him for 11 Downing Street over the present Conservative incumbent

#### Baffling rise in close encounters of the Hungarian kind were chess pieces," he stated. "All ternal power" kept his car on the

By Gabriel Ronay

IN THIS spring of hope and democratic renewal, the thoughts of Hungarians appear to be turning to UFOs. The number and variety of sightings of unidentified flying objects has forced the state-run Urania Observatory to set up a special unit for the logging of reports, among them one fairly close encounter of

According to the Centre for the Gathering of UFO Phenomena, opened in January in the northern town of Eger, some of the hundreds of reported UFO sightings follow well-known patterns. These include high-flying planes, Earth satellites, meteorites, meteorological balloons, and bright stars mistaken for UFOs. year with an cerie noise which racks. "They were moving as if they

But others do not fit these wellexplored sources of UFO mania. Several of the baffling sightings, some involving Hungarian Army personnel, have been found by the Centre to be more than optical illusions and worthy of scientific investigation.

Mrs Judit Vass, of the Centre, singled out a series of inexplicable events, involving UFO sightings and an apparent encounter with giant extra-terrestrial creatures, at Tarnaszentmaria army barracks. These continued for about a month and were duly logged by the Army.

According to the testimony of the entire unit, the UFO intrusion began on the night of October 20 last

increased in volume every 20 seconds or so. Then one of the guards noticed three shiny round objects preceded by a beam of light. After a while these disappeared over the forest behind the barracks.

On November 20, soldiers on guard duty noticed a cloud of red mist in the sky with curious flashing lights inside it, followed by a UFO, shaped like the planet Saturn, which floated over the barracks and disappeared over the forest. Two of the guards reported that they were illuminated briefly with a powerful beam of light which made them sick.

Later that night Private Lajos

Dioszegi spotted 10ft tall figures in

the forest clearing facing the bar-

the animals in the barracks - pigs, sheep and dogs - became frantic. and one of the guard dogs, maddened by fear, broke its steel chain and ran away."

Mrs Vass said that among the many sightings awaiting evaluation was the report of a driver from the village of Lajosmizse who suddenly became aware of a "flying light phenomenon" going parallel with his car, then above it. It was so powerful that it illuminated a 50yard stretch either side of the road. When he came to a bend he braked. but his car continued on the road at the same speed and cornered at a 90degree angle without skidding.

The driver felt that "some ex-

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road as he had lost control. It lasted for another 200 yards then abruptly ceased.

Mrs Vass said that, while there may well be perfectly rational explanations for some of the reports. we cannot ignore the inexplicable phenomena reported to us". It is a curious coincidence that the

number of UFO sightings in the Soviet Union in recent years appeared to increase as the country's economic and political problems mounted. But most Hungarians seem to be

looking to the International Monetary Fund for salvation, not to extraterrestrial beings. Still the UFOs

# Hong Kong plea gets only limited response

WITH THE House of Commons set to consider the controversial Bill on citizenship for Hong Kong Chinese today, it is clear that Britain's approach to other countries to help ease their plight has so far met only a modest response.

Britain appealed at the highest level to 20 countries to provide guarantees of resettlement to Hong Kong people who feel threatened by the Chinese takeover in 1997. But most have pleaded they cannot make a special case for one national group or are already taking large numbers of Hong Kong people annually, as are Canada and Australia.

The Foreign Office says that it has promises of "flexibility" in the administration of these policies from the latter two, but the bright star in what the FO calls "a very encouraging response" remains, not sur-prisingly, Singapore, which has promised to take 25,000 heads of household and has so

far signed some 8,000. Other countries, including West Germany, France and Luxembourg, will make pro-vision for Hong Kong citizens working for their companies but will not go beyond that. Japan, in line with its policy of not taking immigrants, is not expected to offer any help.

THE French Foreign Ministry reiterated yesterday that it was not considering issuing Kong citizens. Referring to a statement on March 2, the ministry said that it was drawing up plans to grant right of entry visas to certain Hong Kong citizens working for French companies in Hong Kong. It was impossible to say how many would who currently number be-be issued, but such visas tween 10 and 15. "We agreed would be based on a case-by- to let the workers know this

would entitle people to apply the Chinese take over in 1997 for residence and work per- and we see if there is any mits in France. They would be trouble or any need to help issued essentially to enable people working for French firms in Hong Kong to stay on after 1997.

#### WEST GERMANY

A SPOKESMAN at the West German Foreign Ministry said it was "a strange thing" if Mr Maude had really said that West Germany was prepared to issue passports to Hong Kong citizens. "This is non-sense," he said. "We can only issue German passports to

The West German Govern-

The House of Commons today gives a second reading to the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill, which would allow 50,000 heads of

households and their families in the colony to live in Britain. Our correspondents look at how other countries are responding to the plight of those affected by the Chinese takeover in 1997

employees of German com-panies operating in Hong Kong to leave before 1997. Kong. "We will look into this est, but it is a very difficult process."

Responsibility for issuing residence permits rests with the different Lander, each of which has an agreed quota for accepting refugees. This figure is very low, however, and even boat people picked up by a West German vessel had great difficulty in obtaining

The huge influx of around 1.5 million ethnic German settlers over the past couple of years means that there is only very limited capacity for refu-gees and no public support for taking them in.

#### BELGIUM

BELGIUM has agreed to give permanent residence permits to all Hong Kong Chinese who are working for Belgian com-panies, "if the need ever panies, "if the need ever arises". There are currently between 100 and 200 Hong Kong Chinese working for Belgian companies.

#### **LUXEMBOURG**

THE Foreign Ministry in Luxembourg said that the government had been approached by Britain to help out by promising either right of residence or passports to all Hong Kong Chinese working for Luxembourg companies, now, but we would not give These right of entry visas them the permits until after and we see if there is any

#### out," the spokesman said. UNITED STATES

NO GUARANTEES of citizenship have been given by the US to Hong Kong citizens after 1997. In Congress, how-Administration support, to increase immediately the anfrom Hong Kong.

mostly made in response to able majority.

Peking's crushing of the pro
Mrs Rosann ment was aware, however, of Tiananmen Square last June, Council and the Legislative the British desire for residence but they are opposed by Council, who is to watch the permits to be issued for local Britain because they would debate, told *The Times*: "It

Office," he said. "I understand that request

The Senate has passed a Bill

tabled by Senator Edward

Kennedy, chairman of the

immigration and refugee af-

fairs sub-committee, which

10,000. Mr Bruce Morrison, chairman of the House im-

migration, refugees and inter-national law sub-committee,

has put forward a Bill under

treated as a separate state for visa purposes with an immigration allowance qua-

**JAPAN** 

DESPITE severe labour short-

ages in the Japanese economy.

Tokyo will almost certainly

spurn Britain's request for

Japan to take in Hong Kong

Chinese after the Chinese takeover in 1997.

retary of the Hong Kong Government, said in Tokyo

yesterday that, although the

request for a safety net for

Hong Kong residents was being handled by the British

Government in London

rather than by officials in the

colony, the chances of Japan

Sir David Ford, Chief Sec-

drupled to 20,000.

which Hong Kong would be

is still under consideration. I also understand that it will not be very easy for the Japanese Government under its current nationality laws to respond very positively to the British

ment by the British Foreign

Sir David's pessimism was echoed by a senior Japanese official, who said: "Our position is very negative. With relation to passports we already have a legal framework would double the annual im-migration quota from 5,000 to make changes to that and the UK is asking us to framework.

"How can we create confidence among the Hong Kong people? That is the most mportant issue. The British idea is that offering passports is the best way. But the Japanese position is that making Hong Kong more pros-perous is the best way to build confidence in Hong Kong. 1 think the Hong Kong government understands this point. The Hong Kong and UK governments are very appre-

ciative of Japan's efforts. Sir David, on a six-day visit to Japan, acknowledged Japan's contribution. "I have been most encouraged since I've been in Japan to see how much interest there is in longterm infra-structure projects (in Hong Kong) by Japanese banks and construction



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#### offering refuge appeared low. Colony's leaders fear defeat of passport Bill

#### By Andrew McEwen Diplomatic Editor

FEARS that confidence in Hong Kong would slump if the Government's passports scheme was defeated in the Commons were voiced yesterday by legislators and businessmen who have flown to London to witness today's second reading of the Bill.

Anxiety in the colony has ever, there are several probeen increased by indications possls, some of which have that about 40 Conservative backbenchers will join the Opposition in voting against nual quota for immigants the Bill. However, most observers think it will survive, These proposals were and may even have a comfort-

Mrs Rosanna Tam, a mem-

would be disastrous for confidence ... it would make Kong's biggest companies, Hong Kong very difficult to rule if it fails to go through." Mr Ronald Arculli, a member of the Legislative Council, over of sovereignty to China said a defeat could cause a in 1997.

further increase in the exodus from the colony, which reached 42,000 last year and is expected to be at least 55,000 Mr Simon Murray, chairman of Honour Hong Kong, a

group representing big businesses, said: "A defeat ... have been left stranded be aroused considerable unwould do terrible damage to tween the two", he said. "It is certainty as to whether it Hong Kong's future. confidence in Hong Kong. In a speech to the Royal

Institute of International Affairs, he supported speculation that destabilization and disdemocracy movement in ber of both the Executive order could become a real possibility. Mr Murray, group manag-

said Hong Kong was "depressed, edgy and insecure" as it moved towards the hand-

He criticized the British Government for failing to obtain an equal place at the negotiating table for Hong

Kong in talks on its future.
"We had two heavyweights, miles apart, deliberating and

of Hong Kong . . . has to crawl to Peking in the hope of being given a discreet audience ... and that Omelco leaders have to beg for an audience in

Omelco. the Office of the Members of the Executive Council and Legislative Council. is one of the most influential bodies in Hong Kong.

London.

Labour's opposition to the Bill, coupled with its strong

Whampoa, one of Hong monstrous that the Governor would reverse the Bill if it came to power.

Mr Arculli said this was discouraging and might harm the British Government's efforts to persuade other countries to offer passports to Hong Kong people.

In another inteview with The Times, Mr Martin Bar-row, deputy head of Jardine Matheson, one of the largest employers, said a defeat would be a huge setback for conwrong signal to the world on

#### Anniversary earthquakes shake San Francisco

San Francisco - A series of earthquakes rocked San Francisco yesterday, the 84th anniversary of the great quake of 1906. Three shocks rauled the city within 20 minutes, with the third strong enough to make tall buildings sway.

Two of the quakes were reported to have registered about 5 on the Richter scale. but there were no reports of damage or injury. (Reuter)

#### Briton charged

Nicosia - Mr Raymond Toy. a former British army officer, has been charged with the manslaughter last month of his wife. Celia, whose body was found near Venus Rock. the supposed birthplace of the goddess of love.

#### Army moves in

Dhaka - The Army has begun a "combing" operation in south-east Bangladesh after suspected tribal guerrillas killed at least 26 people and wounded five in the year's worst separatist violence.

#### Deaths denied

Islamabad - The Afghan Government has denied claims by Western diplomats that two Politburo members were executed over last month's abortive coup. (AFP)

#### Alarming error

Madrid - Robbers stole up to 300 million pesetas (£1.7 million) from a bank here after police decided that a sounding burglar-alert siren was a false

#### Fire flighter

Oslo - An unidentified Briton, aged 28, started a fire in the lavatory of a plane landing at Oslo, but the crew managed to put out the flames and no one was hurt (Reuter)

#### Short shrift

Los Angeles – Zsa Zsa Gabor. sentenced to work 120 hours in a shelter for homeless women for slapping a policeman, faces up to 18 months in jail if she cannot prove to a judge that she did not cut short her sentence by promising to organize a celebrity fund-raising auction. (Reuter)

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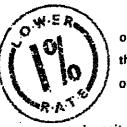
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Ordeal ends for child hostage

# Christian crossfire kills children in Beirut school bus

Beirut, killing three officers

loyal to General Aoun.

The three officers, among

many officers and men, in-

Abi-Samra, were wounded.

off accidentally while troops

Lebanon's civil war caused yet God," said a Red Cross another tragedy yesterday when a school bus carrying children home came under crossiire between rival Chrisman forces in east Berrut, burning to death its driver and

I ÷ pupils. Rescue workers could not hold back their tears while evacuating the small charred bodies from the skeleton of a bus that was hit by scores of explosive buliets on the strip of "no man's land" separating the warring forces.

The bus was carrying the children from their west Beirut school, Ecole des Frères-Mrayjeh, to their homes on the Christian side of town when it suddenly came under the exchange of fire between troops loval to General Michel Aoun and militiamen under Mr Samir Geages. A burst of machinegun fire from the militia side hit the bus and set

"Nine people were able to two soldier," the spokesman leave the bus with injuries and said without elaborating. The

RELENTLESS fighting in burns. The rest met with their bombed-out building is situated inside the Defence Ministry compound, which is only worker on the scene. a mile away from General The tragedy occurred soon after a huge explosion ripped Aoun's bunker under the presidential palace of Beirut's through an army base east of

> Soldiers in tanks and and wounding many others. armoured personnel carriers The explosion, which is thought to have been caused immediately threw a strict cordon around the area, by sabotage, set fire to and devastated two floors of the preventing journalists and building which houses the passers-by from approaching and firing off their machinearmy's elite "Strike Force", guns into the air.

Yarzeh suburb.

The explosion followed two them a major, were buried alive under the rubble while days of fierce clashes in and around the heavily populated areas of Beirut between Gencluding the commander of the eral Aoun's troops and the Lebanese Forces militia dur-"Strike Force", Captain Tony ing which two people were killed and three were An army spokesman claimed that the blast was set

The two sides have been locked in combat since January 31 over supremacy of the Christian enclave in central Lebanon where around a million Christians live. The fighting has so far killed 910 people and wounded 3,500.

# Jewish settlers defy court order

because his views on the

Palestinian question were too

hard-line even for Mr Yitzhak

Shamir, the right-wing Prime

Minister, who himself set up a

home in thr adjacent Muslim

mostly Arab Christian Quar-

ter by Jewish settlers has

certainly had the effect of

bringing Arab Christians and

Muslims together, with Palestinian nationalism as a com-

But yesterday the settlers ~

the women in headscarfs or

berets, the men in white shirts

and skullcaps - refused to

"Our presence here is legiti-

mate," the settlers' spokesman

tion diffusion. Jews have the

right to live anywhere in

Tensions remained high in

Gaza yesterday as the Strip

entered a third day of serious

rioting, with schoolchildren

burning tyres and throwing

stones at troops, A 24-year-old

Palestinian youth from Khan

Younis refugee camp was shot

Palestinian deaths in the

intifada have dropped from

the revolt to one every three

Japanese killer turned writer

faces gallows after plea fails

From Joe Joseph, Tokyo

few developing countries still

with a gallows. A government

survey recently found that 66

per cent of Japanese support

hanging. But Japan's policy on

capital punishment has drawn

criticism from around the

world for years, particularly

the fact that trials and appeals

often extend over decades and

executions are carried out in

Nagayama's lawyers have

tried to argue that the death

penalty violates a Constitu-

tion which forbids "cruel

uphold the death sentence by

the four Supreme Court judges

will be completed at the end of

The unanimous decision to

punishments".

turned into a test of the next week, barring any pro-

constitutionality of the death cedural protests by penalty in Japan, one of the Nagayama's lawyers, who

dead by Israeli troops.

of Jerusalem depends.

mon cause.

Jerusalem."

The sudden invasion of the

quarter three years ago.

From Richard Owen, Jerusalem

THE 150 Jewish settlers behind the move to establish a occupying a Christian pil- Jewish presence in the Chrisgrims' hospital in Jerusalem's tian Quarter, for them the Old City yesterday defied a villain of the piece is Ariel ruling by the Jerusalem Dis- (Arik) Sharon, the corpulent trict Court late on Tuesday and charismatic former general who resigned from the ordering them out. Cabinet two months ago

The settlers, who had origmally said they would obey any court ruling, claimed the eviction order did not take effect for another three weeks. giving them further time in which to appeal to the Supreme Court

But the Greek Orthodox Church, which owns the building said the settlers were finding one excuse after another to stay and might have to be forced out by government bailits.

Arab residents on Christian Quarter Road put it more bluntly "We want them out." said Said, an Arab shopkeeper, who sells pottery and carried wooden camels to acknowledge that they have tourists in the narrow, winding streets of the Old City. They do not belong here." he added angrily. "They want to take everything over."

Patriarchate a few hundred yards away, a crowd of Arab youths and girls, many of them schoolchildren, gathered by the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the most venerated shrine in Christendom, and vented their anger by chanting Palestinian nationalist

Some ran into the Holy Sepulchre, built over the presumed site of Christ's crucifixion and burial, and raised the flag of the Palestinian one a day in the early days of Liberation Organization. The young protesters had days since the beginning of

no doubt about who lay this year.

A SERIAL murderer, aged 40,

novelist and studied Marx and

Hegel in his prison cell, ap-

pears likely to hang after

Japan's Supreme Court re-

jected a final appeal to quash

his death sentence for crimes

During his 21 years in

captivity, Norio Nagayama

married and divorced a for-

mer pen pai, wrote a novel and

autobiography, donated some

of the proceeds of his pen to

the relatives of his four vic-

tims, and threw himself into

His fate has captured atten-

tion because his drawn-out

appeals for clemency have

studying philosophy.

committed as a teenager.

#### Alcoholism linked to gene in US research

From Charles Bremner

AMERICAN scientists have found the first hard evidence linking alcoholism to the presence of a specific gene, a discovery that appears to confirm the hereditary nature of the disease and opens the way to identifying people who are prone to suffer from it.

The findings, published yesterday in the Journal of the American Medical Association, were welcomed by recovering alcoholics and support groups as proof that the condition was founded on a

However, the researchers at but rather a genetic trait.

abnormality, known as the Al

New York

hereditary, biological basis, rather than moral failing.

abnormalities in the d2 dopamine receptor, a structure shown to be connected to pleasure. Comparing the d2 receptors in the brain tissue of 35 deceased alcoholics and non-alcoholics, researchers found 77 per cent had a distinctive genetic abnormality. A cautious National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism called the finding DTOMÍSÍDE.

### were moving ammunition. "Soldiers were moving ammunition confiscated from the mulitia to one of the bases when a shell exploded, killing

the University of California at Los Angeles and Texas University cautioned in their article that they had not found a gene that caused alcoholism The research focused on

According to one theory, the

allele, might be harder to satisfy than the standard version of the gene. Those with it might therefore feel compelled to consume more alcohol to release more dopamine.

failed to sway the judges with

their case that Nagayama was

deprived and mentally un-

stable at the time he commit-

ted his month-long shooting

In Tears of Ignorance, the best-selling autobiography he

wrote behind bars in 1971,

Nagayama blamed "capitalist

society" for his downfall, say-

ing his crimes were the prod-

uct of his childhood poverty

and ignorance. Nagayama, a

former coffee bar employee,

also wrote an award-winning

novel in 1984 called Wooden

In 1968 Nagayama, then

aged 19, stole a pistol from an

American military base near

Tokyo and shot dead four

people, two of them during

spree in 1968.

Bridge.

Turkey clamps down on rebels AMONG the sullen, determined and burningly resentful Kurdish customers of the Seven Brothers coffee shop in launched its bloody campaign Nusaybin, a town on the against "feudalism and

JUBILATION showing on the faces of

parents and child as Patrizia Tacchella,

aged eight, is returned to her home near Verona, Italy, after being held hostage

In the same clothes she was wearing

when she was kidnapped while on her

way to buy sweets, Patrizia was reunited

with her parents on Tuesday as friends

only one word - the intifada. The sudden transformation of the six-year-old guerrilla war against the Turks for an independent state of Kurdistan into a national uprising, along the lines of that being in Damascus. But Turkey's waged by the Palestinians recent temporary diversion against the Israelis, has infor its own purposes of the iected new life into the struggle and prompted a fierce l urkish clampdown.

border with Syria, the whis-

pered conversation centred on

The unpredicted change came last month when teenagers in beadscarves and stone-throwing local women took up the fight with the security forces after shooting incidents with crowds. Then the shutters clanged down on tens of thousands of shops in organized protest strikes in a mirror-image of the campaign that has become a way of life in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"If the Government continues to deny us rights and democracy, then all our guns will be out and our women and children will be on the streets night and day," said one customer of the coffee shop who refused to give even his first name for fear of

"What have we got to lose? Look around this room, there is probably not one man here with a proper job."

The wooden ceiling of the paraffin-lit cafe was crudely painted red, yellow and green the colours of the banned Kurdish flag, an inspired piece of interior decor which recently earned the owner a severe beating in Turkish

But the colours had remained, as had his readiness to voice angry complaints about the Government's refusal to allow Turkey's 10 million Kurds to use Kurdish names, to play Kurdish music, read Kurdish papers or even to enjoy recognition as a national minority.

They are known instead as "mountain Turks" although many do not speak Turkish and have now begun rallying

From Christopher Walker, Nusaybin, Turkey in ever greater numbers be- sentenced on a number of without an armed skirmish or hind the Marxist Kurdish occasions for Kurdish cover- an ambush. In one gan battle, Workers Party (PKK), which age An August, 1987, issue of 34 people were killed, 15 of the magazine was confiscated them believed to have been by police for reprinting words members of the security spoken publicly 66 years ago by Kemai Ataturk, the father of the Turkish Republic, on colonialism" in 1984.

and well-wishers thronged the streets around the Tacchella home in

Earlier, the GIS special police, equiva-

lent to the SAS, raided a villa near

Genoa, freeing Patrizia and arresting

three of her captors. Two alleged

accomplices were arrested in Turin.

Patrizia's father, Signor Imerio Tacch-

Kurdish 'timebomb' explodes as

Stallavena.

trained in camps in the Syrthe subject of autonomy for ian-controlled Bekaa Valley in Turkey's Kurds. Lebanon and their charismatic leader, Mr Abdallah Since the decree, a number Akalan (knows as "Apo"). of the publishing houses in lives under Syrian protection Istanbul were visited by police and so far the contracts to print 18 periodicals deemed in the past to have shown some waters of the Euphrates river sympathy to the Kurds have has reduced the willingness of been cancelled. the Symans to co-operate Condemning the new meaagainst the guerrilla group. sures as undemocratic and a

Many of its fighters are

The conflict which has alviolation of human rights, Mr ready claimed some 2,100 Suleyman Demirel, leader of lives has forced the authorities the conservative True Path Party, said: "If this is not to impose draconian new curbs on press coverage. censorship, what is? Our citi-Under emergency regulations zens will have to get to know announced last week, publishthe truth from the BBC or ing houses can be closed for other foreign media. Such printing damaging articles on harsh measures were not even the Kurdish conflict and imposed in wartime." swingeing fines of up to 100 Outside the dingy coffee million Turkish lire (£25,000) house, the Turkish army lorry may be imposed. patrolling menacingly with a

Kurds can also be subjected to internal exile at the whim of the regional governor and all media reports of the conflict must first be "co-ordinated" with the Interior Ministry. Even before the crackdown

Mr Ismail Besikci, a respected sociologist who had spent nine years in jail since 1971 for books pointing out ethnic differences between Turks and Kurds, was arrested again for writing a book entitled Kurdistan, an International Colony. Staff on the left-wing magazine Towards 2000 had been

The 1990 death toll of civilians, guerrillas and soldiers is fast approaching 100. with hardly a day passing

machine gun mounted on the

rear and the tangible feeling of

repression and happed were

reminders that the melting of

the snows had seen the mount-

ing of yet another PKK spring

offensive. But this year in the

battle for control of a chunk of

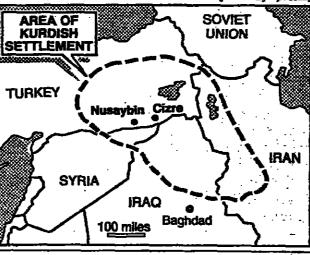
land half the size of Italy

things have been different: 55

people were killed last month

compared with only 16 in the

first three months of 1989.



### Pretoria remains hopeful of ANC accord

From Gavin Bell

CONFLICTING policy state-ments by President de Klerk of South Africa, and Mr Nelson Mandela, the deputy charman of the African National Congress, presage tough exchanges when they begin formal peace talks early next month, but season Cabinet ministers remain optimistic of progress governis broader negotiations on constitutional reforms.

With Mr Mandela calling for communed pressure on Pretoria, and Mr de Klerk binuity warning the ANC to tone down its rhetoric, the atmosphere seems hardly conducive to compromise.

The President's firm rejec-tion of black majority role may resource anxious whites, but it is bound to incense militant blacks who will settle for nothing less. Mr Gerns Viljoen, the Min-

ister for Constitu elogment and the chief government negotiator, believes, however, that full-scale negotiations may begin before the end of the year and that a new political system could be introduced within two years. Speaking in Washington

Mr Vilioen appeared to base his optimism on a high per-sonal regard for Mr Mandels whom he described as "itspressive" and firmly committed to peaceful solutions. But, he added, there was no doubt that the ANC leader was under heavy pressure from young activists who did not share his enthusiasus for a negotiated settlement.

Confrontational politics and related violence sweeping black communities will be the principal issues at the preliminary three-day meeting be-tween the Government and the ANC beginning in Cape Town on May 2. Government sources,

meanwhile, are not unduly concerned by the flexing of political muscles, and do not share the view that this represents a hardening of attitudes. "Given the very difficult

background against which the exercise is taking place, what is imprezing now is to be expected," one source said. "We believe there is room

for manoeuvre on all sides, since the imperatives for compromise are greater than anything else. The biggest probiem is the persistent violence, which is having a profoundly added. The ANC is under increas-

ing pressure to renounce its military strategy, even from its sympathizers. The Rev Allan Boesak, the president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches and a prominent anti-apartheid activist, has joined the peace lobby by urging the ANC to take a "moral initiative" by for-

ians as untrustworthy. The Mayor of Nusaybia, Mr Muslam Yildirim, a former teacher, was one of the only residents prepared to place his clearly identifiable criticism against the Turkish Governthe ANC and the conservative ment's handling of the Kurd-Inkatha movement led by ish problem on the record. Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, "We have got to appeal to the Chief Minister of the the world for help and it is

it," he said. He added: "This struggle is a timebomb which has been ticking now for six years and, all at once, the people of the region are waking up. If we are going to be a part of Turkey, we must be given our full rights and not be treated any

longer like second-class

people like me that have to do

ella, who owns the Carrera Jenus cassas

wear company with sales of £300 million

a year, and also controls the Fioracci fashion house, said he considered kinself

million ransom, but the authorities had frozen the Tacchella family assets in a

forces. PKK gunnen have been moving down from the

mountains closer to the 18

Kurdish-dominated towns

and have singled out state

In the worst clash so far this

year, 36 people were killed in

Hakkari province, 21 of them

guerrillas and several soldiers.

On Monday, in Mardin, a town 15 miles north of here,

which houses an important

Nato radar base, three pas-

sengers in a minibus were

killed and four others criti-

cally wounded by a booby-trapped parcel handed to the

unsuspecting driver for deliv-

Because Turkish reporting

of the war has been cut to the

minimum and is so patently

biased, Kurds are now able to

shrug off reports of such

attacks against marmed civil-

ery in a nearby village.

employees as targets.

new policy to stamp out kidnapping.

"a very, very łocky man".

The kidnappers had denote

swearing violence. By rejecting violence, the ANC would place a moral obligation on the security forces to follow suit, he said. While Mr de Klerk and Mr Mandela prepare to talk peace, conflict is deepening between

KwaZulu tribal homeland, who is agitating to secure his place at the negotiating table. The South African Youth Congress, announcing its intention vesterday to dissolve and merge with the ANC Youth League, accused Chief Buthelezi of sending Inkatha members to Israel for military training claiming to have videotaped "evidence" to support its claim.

## **US Congressmen** shrug off scandal

nounced this week.

istic of success, apparently unabashed by the fact that his of Jalgaon. They had bought the astonishing behaviour is still powerful House ethics com- public office, Indeed, all four mittee

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being investigated by the should disqualify him from Barely seven months ago

vealed that Mr Frank had had burred from standing by court a long-standing affair with Mr convictions. Stephen Gobie, a male prostitute he kired as an aide but from Mr Frank's apartment.

Nobel Prize for judgement." Mr Frank said on Tuesday. But he added: "I don't think my ability to fight for the things I care about has been

# From Martin Fletcher, Washington

MR BARNEY Frank, the to stand again puts him homosexual at the centre of among a select group of last year's most sordid Capitol elected representatives, which Hill sex scandal, is to seek a also includes Mr Marion sixth term as a Congressman Barry, the Mayor of Washfrom Massachusetts, he an- ington, and two other US Congressmen, Mr Gus Savage He has raised \$91,000 and Mr Donald "Buz" Lu-(£55,500) since January, give kens, who have all allegedly ing him a campaign fund of been caught red-handed in kens, who have all allegedly some \$260,000, and is optime serious misconduct involving

sex or illegal drugs. Not one of them, however, considers that his behaviour have high hopes of re-election unless, in the case of Mr Barry the Washington Times re- and Mr Lukens, they are

This not only says something about the sheer gall of who then can a "call boy" ring American politicians, if exposes the abysmally low "My sense is that none of expectations the American (the voters) thinks I deserve a voter has of his elected

representatives. It also testifies to the wretchedness of an electoral System which gives an inclinbent an almost insurmountable, in built advantage over

Mr Frank's determination any challenger.

# From Christopher Thomas Delhi

MISUSE of pesticides by farmers who cannot read accompanying instructions is inflicting death and deformity in India.

The death toll after peasants dined on delicacies at a wedding feast in the northern village of Rajpura rose to 150 yesterday - all victims, it now transpires, of restreides.

Farmers in India lavish their crops with chemicals on the simple assumption that two doses must be twice as good as one. By their ignorance they inflict horrible deaths and terrible deformities on countless numbers of people.

The Uttar Pradesh village of Raipura, grimy and poor, has suflered a tragedy that is awesome even

which are greater than most places because of sheer numbers.

The deaths were particularly agonizing, and by a perverse coincidence most local doctors happened to be locked up in jail at the time for mounting an illegal strike.

They were released several hours after the first screaming victim burst through the doors of the local hospital, which had been virtually closed by the strike. By the time the doctors arrived it was too late to help them; besides, the hospital was ill-equipped to cope. Many more people are still dying, and the final toll may well pass 200.

The villagers of Rajpura produced the wedding fare from flour that had been made from wheat newly doused in pesticides. Indian farmers are told never to spray wheat crops by the standards of Indian tragedies, in the week before harvesting, but the guidance is widely ignored. It has been estimated that half the cultivated land of India is sprayed regularly with a variety of chemicals. India is the biggest manufacturer

Pesticide misuse brings harvest of death to India

and consumer of pesticides in South Asia, with 350 companies producing 131 varieties. A government-owned company, Hindustan Insecticides. holds a monopoly on DDT production.

The Rajpura tragedy has highlighted the dangers of placing deadly pesticides in the hands of illiterate farmers who know nothing about the misery they inflict on people or the ravages they impose on the land.

There are those who argue that an illiterate country like India should produce and distribute only the most benign pest control products, but too many powerful interests

control the chemical industry for kulfi. At least 100 young people are that to happen. Chemicals that the West has long

since banned are commonplace in India: DDT, in particular, is in widespread use. It is sprayed liberally by almost every state government to control mosquitoes, but DDT-resistant insects are now flourishing and malaria is making a stunning comeback.

Every fruit and vegetable trader knows how to lace cauliflowers with chemicals that make them white; and he is well aware that dipping green vegetables in copper sulphate makes them greener.

The tragedy of Rajpura was followed by news yesterday of another food disaster, this time affecting nearly 300 children in Maharastra who had sampled a traditional pistachio ice cream called

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two years to eliminate the substance or withdraw their products from the market. That deadline passed a few days ago and nothing has happened. There is every chance that nothing

gravely ill in hospital near the town

ice cream from a street trader while

marching to the small town of Sakri

to pay homage to a local goddess.

The cause will probably turn out to

Moreover, it has been revealed

that for two years the Indian

Government has allowed soft-drink

manufacturers to use a known cancer-causing agent called BVO in

nearly all the nation's mass-selling

soda drinks with household names

In 1988 manufacturers were given

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# Shakespeare on the shelf

#### **Bernard Richards**

hakespeare's birthday next week will be celebrated with due reverence; but do his works genuinely hold the attention of the modern audience? I suspect they are watched mainly with boredom, irritation, puzzlement, anxiety or indifference, rather than pleasure, except at those moments when a musical routine or a bit of farcical "business" is injected. Directors have been revamping his plays to make them acceptable to audiences more readily at home with Dallas or Spitting Image.

The phenomemon is not new. Shakespeare has often been adapted, but in the past the changes were more readily admitted; today directors like to pretend they give the essence of Shakespeare, and their innovations are matters of production style.

Without wishing vigorously to applaud attempts to make him palatable to ill-educated and inattentive audiences, the fact has to be faced that he dues pose problems. All of the plays contain obscure words, and even more treacherous are words which sound familiar but now have completely different meanings.

Many parts of his plays puzzle audiences: not only the notorious linguistic cruxes and the arcane allusions, but the parts that depend on knowledge of local cus-toms. Think of the special knowledge about wedding arrangements one needs to make much headway with Measure for Measure, or the medieval attitudes to marriage that make The Taming of the Shrew so intractable. Many people approaching Shakespeare get most excitement from seeing their own feelings about life confirmed. Shakespeare does make timeless statements, but most of what he expresses is in relation to local conditions.

The trouble with treating Shakespeare as if he were a contemporary of ours is that it must involve productions in anomalies and even incoherencies, especially if no cutting or rewriting takes place. Modern-dress productions provide many examples. Adrian Noble's updated Comedy of Errors in 1983 was fast-moving and engaging, but although the policeman was a Keystone Cop in blue, the lines referring to his "buff" uniform remained. The RSC Merry Wives, with its mock-Tudor and hairdryers, had a Falstaff looking something like Jimmy Edwards in plus-fours, yet absurdly, instead of calling for a giu and tonic, as he should have done, he went on asking for a sack.

Michael Bogdanov's notorious 1978 Taming of the Shrew provided Petruchio with a loud motorbike. Fair enough (well, fair enough with massive reservations), but what a total nonsense it was to retain the speech about his arrival at church on a brokendown horse. That speech should College, Oxford.

either have been dropped or rewritten to describe a clapped-out motorbike with defective silencer.

However, not many producers have the courage to rewrite, not merely because even the stupid ones realize they are not up to Shakespeare's standard, but be-cause rewriting emphasizes with startling intensity that they are not giving us Shakespeare.

The trouble with updating is that usually it takes place in a cultural void, for example in an RSC Midsummer Night's Dream, at the point when Hippolyta is reminiscing about her earlier hunting days: "I was with Hercu-les and Cadmus once, When in a wood of Crete they bay'd the bear With hounds of Sparta." It is extraordinarily beautiful and resonant poetry, but it was spoken by a woman wearing a cocktail dress straight out of a Noël Coward play. How could such a figure have had one foot in the mythological world of Hercules and Cadmus? The visual signals

were all wrong.

These absurd and baseless fantasies can never compete for audience attention with a good modern comedy that is coherent and closely observed in its lan-guage and social landscape. Life, of a kind, is injected in modernization, but not true vitality.

Producing with antiquarian zeal may be a better course. It is curious that there has not been a full-blown theatrical equivalent of the revival of ancient music. That movement has had its obligato lunacy, but on the whole its case has been made and it has achieved some spectacular successes. There is room for an equivalent movement in the theatre, which is not to say that antiquarian performances should have a monopoly. For instance, I have never seen *The Tempest* produced as an ambitious manager might have done
in the early 17th century, which
surely could be very exciting.
I have never seen a production

in which boy actors act alongside adults; surely the BBC could have shown some boldness and enterprise by trying it at least once. I have never seen a candle-lit production of a play from this period, but friends tell me that the effect is electrifying, and not only on the local fire-officer.

It is, I think, preferable to play down Shakespeare's universality rather than exaggerate it; he is, after all, only spasmodically universal, and then not necessarily at his most interesting. We should desanctify Shakespeare, at least temporarily, and cease to regard him both as one of our contemporaries and as a "timeless monument". We should accept that he is not readily intelligible, especially in our desacramentalized world. And then we might stand a chance of breathing fresh life into him.

Stop kowtowing over Hong Kong given a representative govern-ment, they would be able to resist by giving British passports to 250,000 people in Hong any attempt by Peking to impose Kong, it will restore the con-Chinese-style rule. In such ways, fidence of all six million. As MPs Parliament's reservations about prepare to do battle on the issue placing millions of British subjects today, they should consider why Mrs Thatcher's once universally

regime with a bad record on acclaimed policy on the future of uman rights were allayed. Writing in The Times on April Before Parliament authorized 15 last year, I explained how the Government to sign the Joint Declaration with China in Decemwithin a year of Parliament's endorsement of the agreement, Foreign Office officials had seber 1984, ministers gave repeated assurances that the agreement was cretly agreed to China's demand that Britain slow down its plans

under the control of a totalitarian

acceptable to the people of Hong Kong and would guarantee them a secure future under Chinese for democratic reform. The collapse of confidence in the future of Hong Kong was precipitated not by the tragic events in Tiananmen Square in June 1989, but by Britain's failure to stand up to Ching in Newscales. sovereignty. They further gave the impression that before transfer of sovereignty in 1997, Britain would devolve the power to manage the internal affairs of the colony to a to stand up to China in November 1985 and to secure the political safeguards written into the Joint representative government elected by the Hong Kong people. Par-liament was told that China Declaration. The brain drain from Hong Kong was already a serious problem when the Foreign Affairs agreed to this, and China itself announced publicly that after 1997, "Hong Kong people would rule Hong Kong" with "a high degree of autonomy". It was argued that once the people of Hong Kong had been Committee visited the colony in March last year. Tiananmen Square then injected a new ele-

ment of panic. The passport package was one consequence of that panic, but granting sanctuary in Britain to 250,000 Hong Kong citizens is unlikely to keep people in the colony up to and beyond 1997. It will not reassure those denied sanctuary and will not stop the haemorrhage of talent that is threatening to cripple the com-mercial and administrative infrastructure which has helped to make Hong Kong so prosperous and stable in the past and which could be so beneficial to China in

Above all, it does not discharge Britain's moral responsibilities to the people of its last and most ssful colonial dependency.

At best, some holders of the new passports will stay for the time being, and 50,000 families will be spared the miseries already suf-fered by all those who have disrupted their careers and broken up their families to earn the right to live in Canada, the US or

Opponents of the passport Bill will today advance all these reasons and more to persuade Parliament to reject it, and they will cap them by arguing that it would be folly for the Government to force through a nationally unpopular measure that is also strongly opposed by China. But China's opposition is the best reason for the Government to persevere with it, for only by convincing the people of Hong Kong that it is prepared to stand up to China in defending their civil and political rights can the British government persuade them to remain in Hong Kong.

If Parliament approves the Bill, it will have taken the first step in a new initiative to see that the Joint Declaration is implemented in a way that reflects Parliament's 1984 intentions rather than China's demands. And for Britain there is more to this than ensuring that the British Empire does not end with a pitiful whimper.

Prince Charles put the point well in an address to the University of Alberta in 1983, when he said that 40 years previously, thousands had sacrificed their lives to defend basic freedoms which "If they hadn't done so," he continued "and if an everse had continued, "and if an excuse had been found to opt out of that

defence or to compromise in some way over the issue, there is no saying how great a shadow would have fallen across the world. There is no doubt that countless people whose freedoms are crushed under the weight of a seemingly limitless oppression look towards countries like ours to provide some kind of flickering light of freedom amongst the total darkness that surrounds them."

The people of Hong Kong see a great shadow hanging over their future, and they look to the British to remove it. It will be a shameful and hypocritical disavowal of Britain's public posture on human rights if Parliament permits the Government to opt out of or compromise over those provisions in the Joint Declaration that were included to protect the people of Hong Kong from possible oppres-sion. For in its present mood of brooding and defiant makeyo-lence, China looks likely to visit iust such oppression upon those in Hong Kong who have been trying to claim their democratic rights. The author was formerly Director of Home Affairs in the Hong Kong

# A little something in the bank for life eternal

Bernard Levin says doctors should

face the moral questions of

preserving patients for spare parts

must return yet again to the Fallacy of the Altered Standpoint. A recent visit to the theme concerned the "breakthrough" in transplant surgery, by which a pig's kidney was transplanted into a human being. Whatever next, I murmured in the course of a couple of thousand words, but the trouble with that question, I have found by long experience, is that my imagination is not lurid enough to make a useful guess; could I - could you? - have thought that a Dutch doctor would have been reported to the equivalent of the BMA because he failed to practise euthanasia on one of his patients who had asked for it?

Hong Kong is in tatters.

For those reading me today who have not followed my discovery and examination of the Fallacy of the Altered Standpoint, let me define it. It is the belief that, because some action or attitude is universally considered abhorrent, it will always remain so; the fallacy hes in what happens when the standpoint from which that belief derives is altered. The view changes; from the new standpoint it is possible to believe that what was once unthinkable can now be thought; all too often, what can be thought is thought, and shortly afterwards what is thought is put into practice.

Some years ago, a Bill was introduced into Parliament; the purpose was to provide a special card which would indicate that, if the holder was fatally injured, his or her organs were to be made available for transplant. I said then that in time, the onus in the legislation would be reversed, so that the organs could be used unless the owner of them bore a card specifically forbidding his or her innards to be used for such a purpose. I was roundly hooted for my prophecy; well, that day comes ever closer. But stop reading for a moment, and answer a question with as much exactitude as your memory, or that of those around you, can provide.

Here is the question. How long ago would you have dismissed as

has employed some tricks of his

own to keep the whips at bay. Eighty MPs signed a letter of protest to the Prime Minister, but

she refused to read it. Tebbit

declined to show the list of rebels

to the whips, so leaving them

unsure of whom to tempt, and

with the possibility that they may

have bought off some of their own

supporters. We shall find out

ever-growing possibility that it

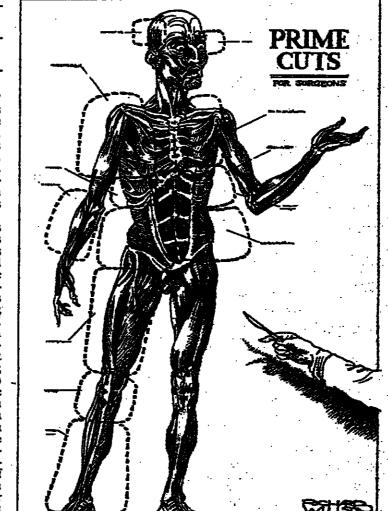
tonight how many stay away.

absurd, repellent and obviously untrue, a claim that in this country's hospitals doctors have taken to keeping dying patients, with no hope of recovery, on artificial life-support machines, and making withdrawals from these living but moribund organbanks when a patient who needs a

replacement lung, say, or heart, is ready to receive it? Yet I tell you that that is happening now, and the doctors do not deny it. Indeed, there was an exquisite comment, recorded in *The Sunday Times*, from the president of the British Transplantation Society, Dr Douglas Briggs: "It is not the sort of thing we go public on," he said, "but I don't feel we should cover it up in any way." Another medical enthu-siast for the practice said that it "provided a new pool of donors"; I must repeat, though I have no great hope of getting it into the heads of more than half a dozen people, the fact that a body on a ventilator is *not* a donor, because a donor is one who gives, not one who is taken from. (That particular linguistic perversion has always struck me as significant; if doctors have to pretend that an organ was given to them, rather than removed from a patient incapable of giving permission, it can only mean that they are not nearly as certain of their rectitude as they would like to be thought.)

It gets worse. Referring to the patients who provide the organbank, one of the doctors said: "Previously, these patients were simply cared for and kept comfortable until they died. Instead, we are approaching the relatives of such patients to tell them that. unfortunately, there is nothing we can do for them and to ask them to consider the possibility of organ donation for when their relative stops breathing."

Roughly when and exactly why did the doctors decide that their previous custom — "... these patients were simply cared for and kept comfortable until they died" - should be abandoned? I do not suppose that the doctors enjoy



asking for the parts of somebody's loved ones, and I am sure they make their requests tactfully and with sympathy, nevertheless, the argument that someone else can benefit from the organs of a relative who will never again have a use for them gives a powerful - I think too powerful - tilt to the feelings of those who are soon to

be bereaved. At this point, I fear that many people, not just the doctors engaged in the organ-bank system, are saying that they cannot understand what I am talking about. If there are proper safeguards (and I have no doubt that there are) to ensure that only those who have no possibility of recovery are used

as repositories of spare parts, and

that the relatives are willing, what possible objection can there be?

There are three. In my previous comment, on the matter of the pig's kidneys in human beings (did they, incidentally, ask permission of the pig's relatives?), I discussed the opportunity-cost: how many less glamorous treatments - the familiar hip operation, or the one for cataract, or for hernia or prostate - could be done dozens or hundreds of times for what one heart transplant costs in medical equipment, personnel, resources, time, skill and attention? I never got an answer, and do not expect one now: but I am quite sure that if the transplant craze had never taken hold, there would now be a massive credit balance of pain

relieved, mobility restored, sight saved and research pursued.

The second objection is that the practice reinforces, rather than (as it should do) corrects, one of the most extraordinary and distorting most extraordinary and distorting notions of our time: the wide-spread belief that it is possible to live for ever, and certainly that if it is not possible it should be made so at once, by Act of Parliament.

I sometimes think that the timor mortis of today takes the form of a resentment of death, and certainly the maddest but most representative form of this attitude so far has been the grotesque phenome-

has been the grotesque phenomenon called "cryogenics"; certain charlatans claim (it started, of course, in California), that they can preserve a dead body until a cure for the disease which killed the client is found, whereupon the preserved corpse will be treated with the appropriate remedy, and in no time will be sitting up and singing. I know no more pitiful example of our greatest delusion: the boast that we have shrugged off all belief outside our senses, and have created an enurely materialistic universe.

nd the third objection is, of course, the Fallacy of the Altered Standpoint, I do not envisage the mad scientists of fiction kidnapping perfectly healthy people to stock their organ-banks, although there is a horrid and uncomfortably memorable precedent:

Up the close and down the stair. Round the town with Burke and Hare; Burke the butcher, Hare the

thief. Knox the boy who buys the becf. But the point of the Fallacy is that until the standpoint has been attered, no one can safely predict what the view from the new one will be. Nevertheless, there is a clue. So far as I know, there is not one example of a new standpoint being less disturbing than its predecessor, the alteration invariably goes further, in the matter of actions that had previously been

ruled out, towards danger. I have no doubt that some lives will be saved by transplants from the new organ-banks. I have cast doubt on the relative cost of such projects. But there is another kind of cost, not involving money, and this kind may be leading us to a new, and by no means welcome, moral bankruptcy.

## CLEMENT FREUD

t is the most English of announcer, "is wearing blue scenes: the natural amphitheatre, the stage of lush green swathes of turf punctuated by well constructed brushwood fences. Around us, performing a gentle fandango, are mounted huntsmen wearing pink coats, unlikely-looking amateur jockeys in multicoloured racing silks, men dressed in jodhpurs, rainproof jackets, rat-catcher's hats: women in blue trilbies, the trendy female headgear of 1990.

In the car park (admission £10), a couple of thousand vehicles are parked in immaculate lines supervised by hard men in bowler hats and the habit to command. The car boots are open, have spilt on to the grass assorted camp chairs and tables; someone unscrews a Thermos and produces hot sausages. Another contains oxtail soup laced with sherry; there is sloe gin and whisky, corned beef sandwiches and scotch eggs, the last of the simnel cake, quiche and pâte, much supermarket wine in two-litre cartons and "Goodness isn't that Jeremy with the Dunstan woman, over there by the girl with the blue felt hat?" "Which one? They're all wearing blue felt hats." Gossip thrives, OK.

Stroll around the marquees and you discover the tradesmen: a retailer of Range Rovers and BMWs creating the impression that the market in used cars starts at £24,355. Here a saddler, there a gents outfitter specializing in leisurewear (such as blue trilbies). The inevitable "green" couple who sell baked notatoes from a cast-iron mobile oven. An old bloke has put on a boater expressly to carve steaming joints of mahoganycoloured roast beef, slices of which his wife, wearing surgical gloves, places inside soft brown baps, price £1.95, mustard or horseradish? Two sisters sell home-made fudge and cakes ... but the cakes were all sold

before the first race. There is a huge beer tent bulging with youths lightly dowsed in best bitter and every few minutes the public address system, manned by a frustrated newsreader, announces thediscovery of yet another boy called Nigel who is being held in the secretary's tent awaiting collection. "Nigel", says the

trousers and a red windcheater", possibly in case dad remembers the clothes even if he has forgotten the name. Many children are mislaid: the announcer waits until he has

a clutch and then lists all their names and descriptions. I believe people go to point-topoints expressly to dispose of their children, then leg it out of the country, it surprises me the clerks of courses still let them in, let alone let them in for free. Within this atmosphere of

overall gentility interspersed only by the occasional trader, there is a faction of hard-headed businessmen who arrive early on the scene bearing satchels inscribed Honest Fred. Trust Harry, and Alf Always Pays: the bookmakers, who consider Easter Monday to be their benefit, their flag day; they actually wanted to rename Easter Monday The Feast of St Ladbroke though to be fair, it is not the market leaders but the minnows of the profession whose trade this day is fruitful and multiplies and does not bear too close investigation. On a normal racing day, there

might be two or three meetings attracting perhaps 8,000 people. On Monday there were five meetings on the flat, 12 under National Hunt rules and a dozen point-to-points; the total crowd approached 200,000, of whom some 80 per cent are what nice people term "innocent" or "inexperienced" and bookmakers call "mugs".

Why is it that children are taught mathematics at great inconvenience but in later life are unable to determine whether 5-4 is a better price than 11-8? (It is not.)

What is lacking in people who have the competitive spirit to back one horse to run faster than the others, yet place their bet with a bookmaker who is showing the selection at even money when the man on the adjoining pitch is offering 6-4? I won on the fifth race. backing the outsider of four at 2-1. As for the bookmakers, they that outlived this day and

hands in glee and say this loot I

got on the bank holiday.

came safe home (which would have taken a very long time if Curtain down the M25 was involved) shall The Royal Opera House, count their notes and rub their which yesterday announced its 1990-91 season, faces an

will fail to find a temporary home Passports for a when it closes for three years in 1994 for extensive rebuilding. surprise holiday The lack of existing theatres in London suitable for opera or ballet T nowing that few MPs can is limited. Drury Lane would do, resist a few extra days' holiday, the whips have bought off Conservative rebels but for Miss Saigon's advance bookings. A possible move to the Lyceum has also been scotched, who were expected to join Norman Tebbit's Hong Kong passport revolt tonight. They have been leaving a Covent Garden source to concede that the best hope is for a new theatre to be built with some. told that a blind eye will be turned haste. But the only two possibilif they take an extra week's holiday and don't turn up at ities have not even got beyond the planning stage. The Entertain-ments Corporation, agents for the Kirov and Bolshoi ballet com-Westminster until next week - so abstaining in the controversial vote. This is a tactic of last resort, panies, had ambitious plans for a and illustrates the concern with 3,500-seat theatre on a scruffy which the Tory high command South Bank car park, but the site regards the threatened revolt. Tim has been promised to the South Janman, MP for Thurrock and Bank Board, which runs the one of the rebels, confirms that the National Theatre. The second whips have been engaged in frantic activity. "If you were known to be intending to vote possibility, a proposed 2,500-seat theatre near the Old Vic, is even against the Bill, they offered an extended Easter recess. They were more distant. It all sounds increasingly like an opera plot - of the effectively offering an extra week's soap variety. holiday from the daily chores of Westminster." However, Tebbit

#### Ideology no bar

onflicts between party and professional loyalties were in evidence yesterday among the 70 or so barrister MPs as the Commons began debating the end of their professional closed shop. Among those most embarrassed is John Morris, Labour's shadow attorney general. He is vice-chairman of the all-party barristers' group which is leading the opposition to the proposal to give solicitors rights of access to higher courts. But from the front bench he had to voice Labour's approval of the measure. Morris. denies that his party loyalty is being strained. "Provided the

solicitors are properly qualified I have no objection," he says. But Tory MP Ivan Lawrence, chair-

man of the barristers' group, takes a quite different line: "The Bill is supposed to improve access to legal services and make them less expensive," he says. "I shall be opposing it because it will do neither. It will put the service at risk." A number of Labour barristers also oppose the proposal, proving the old adage that the true conservatives are to be found on the Labour benches. One of their number, Austin Mitchell, agrees. "We are in awe of traditional institutions," he says. "Taking on the law is far too daring for us. I just wish the Tories' Lord Chancellor was ours."

#### Forgotten heroes

t must be hard to feel nostalgia for a prison camp, but there will be few dry eyes around when the PoW élite of the Second World War meet in London today for a Colditz reunion. Earl Haig (son of the First World War commander-in-chief), who was incarcerated in Colditz from November 1944 until being liberated by the Russians in April Fine Arts Commission be has

1945, says that after so many years, recognition of fellow pris-oners has become a problem at reunions. "Everyone looks so different that it takes until the end of the party to recognize old friends. Then I want to discuss old wounds, pleasures and memories. but it's too late. You end up regretting you can't be back in Colditz with them all."

#### Primrose past

ories steeped in the "One Nation" tradition who thought the pendulum had swung back their way have suffered a setback an acute shortage of primroses on Primrose Day, the anniversary of the death of Benjamin Disraeli. Alas, members of the Primrose League, including about 30 Tory MPs, who had hoped to be sporting buttonholes today are finding them in short supply. The early spring has meant that in most places, Disraeli's favourite flower has long since bicomed and wilted.

#### Building bridges

ord St John of Fawsicy has something to complain about and something to crow about. He is locked in battle with planners over a proposal to build a sewage farm in the heart of the most unspoilt part of the Northamptonshire countryside, within spitting distance of the old rectory at Preston Capes, which has been his home for 25 years. On the credit side, he has been made an honorary member of the Royal Institute of British Architects. He is somewhat surprised by the honour, for as chairman of the fought a series of battles to thwart the plans of some of RIBA's most distinguished members, including Scott, Browning and Turner's hideous new BBC headquarters at White City.

The former arts minister says he is now worned that having accepted the honour, that other noted scourge of RIBA, the Prince of Wales, will never speak to him again. A spokesman for RIBA said that honorary membership was bestowed on eminent people who showed "interest in architecture and the arts and sciences con-nected therewith. It would be hard to think of a better description of Prince Charles. Can we take it that his membership invitation is in the post?

#### Costume drama

ome of the most exclusive Society designers are set to link arms with the shop-keeping rebels in Chris Patien's Bath constituency who are planning a strike next week in protest at the new business rate. Dartajane Gilroy, whose clients include Princess Michael of Kent, the American singer Grace Jones and actress Jerry Hall, predicts that the new rate will turn Kings Road, Cheisea, into "a boarded-up wasteland". With other trendy King's Road traders, she has formed FAIRR - Fight Against Increased Rent and Rates - and has contacted the Bath malcontents with a view to organizing a national protest. The rates on Gilroy's broom cupboard size shop are set to rise from £7,500 to £28,000, and there is talk of flekling a "Feshion Party" candidate against Cheises MP Nick Scott at the next election.

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### HELP FROM ONE'S FRIENDS

However the Commons divides today on the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill, those Conservatives who support it believe that its proposal to give British passports to 50,000 Hong Kong families honours Britain's surviving obligation to the colony. They believe that their constituents would tolerate no significant addition to the 225,000 individuals encompassed by the Bill. Opinion polls suggest that even this number is too high for a majority to welcome the prospect.

These are facts of domestic political life. Yet the practical help which Britain can afford to Hong Kong in the years before the expiry of the lease must extend beyond this, and urgently. Mr Francis Maude, the minister with responsibility for Hong Kong, has gone to considerable lengths to persuade friendly governments to issue some of their own passports to Hong Kong citizens. So far only Singapore has made a specific offer to take up to 25,000 families.

The attitude of the European Community has been cautious. France, West Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg have agreed in principle to devise schemes like the British one, but are waiting to see whether the Nationality Bill gets through the Commons in an unmutilated form. With millions of other refugees seeking asylum round the world. Britain's friends are offering the people of Hong Kong scant sympathy, lukewarm until there is a visible threat to the colony's civil rights. In what promises to be a decade of widespread refugee pressure, few want to know about the apparently prosperous citizens of this far-off enclave.

This indifference, though unsurprising, is unfortunate. If Britain's European neighbours continue to treat Hong Kong as a British domestic concern, they will be taking a considerable risk with their own immigration problems. A large proportion of a mass exodus of refugees may arrive on their doorstep towards the end of this decade with British passports entitling them to Europe-wide settlement. High unemployment in Britain in 1997 and a labour shortage in Germany could make Britain's problem today into Germany's problem tomorrow.

If Hong Kong is thus already a European issue, why is this not more widely recognized by other Community members? The answer is partly that they are sick of Britain's preoccupation with its post-imperial legacy and, omi-nously, do not regard Europe-wide political cooperation as meaning anything unless their own interests might benefit thereby. The Hong Kong question is no longer a colonial matter. Under the terms of the 1992 initiative, any migrant into a member state is by definition a migrant into the Community as a whole.

It is understandable that the French and the Germans, both of whom are presently grappling with the consequences of past and future immigration, would not wish to provoke domestic opposition by issuing large numbers of passports to Hong Kong. Paris and Bonn are, however, quite capable of grasping that the object of the exercise is a deterrent one. Germany, in particular, has a duty to reciprocate Britain's readiness to accept as citizens of the Community millions of East Germans and other ethnic Germans from the East. A few Hong Kong businessmen might do wonders for the vast rust belt which German reunification will incorporate into the Community.

Hong Kong is an oasis of Western values in Asia. Its way of life deserves to be defended by all the diplomatic means at the West's disposal as a bridgehead of liberty inside the People's Republic of China. A few thousand passports, held by Hong Kong citizens and issued by all 12 Community countries, would greatly strengthen London's bargaining position vis à vis Peking. China would certainly think twice before provoking the whole European Community.

Those MPs who vote against the Bill -Labour as well as Conservative - should know that success for their obstruction would spell the end of any hope of real help from Britain's friends. Little Englanders, Labour and Tory, should be well satisfied with that; others must surely think again.

#### JUSTICE FOR ALL

As the Courts and Legal Services Bill begins its journey through the House of Commons, the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, is entitled to much personal satisfaction. It is one of the greatest reforms of the legal profession for a century. He has doughtly fended off sustained efforts to subvert the Bill by those who felt their vested interests threatened. For once an important item of radical legislation has reached the Commons with its central purpose intact - the freeing of a market in professional services from restrictive and expensive practices.

MPs on both sides will know that extensive consultation went on before the Bill was even drafted, resulting in significant concessions. The controversies were never party political, in soite of some half-hearted attempts from the Opposition to make them so. This is all the more remarkable in that the Bill's underlying philosophy, which survived from Green Paper to House of Lords Bill, was an attack on an entrenched closed shop. Apart from a few lawyers, we are all free marketeers now.

The original Green Paper was greeted by some judges and barristers as if Lord Mackay had made common cause with Shakespeare's mob and cried, "The first thing we do: let's kill all the lawyers." As the lobbyists for the Bar have found to their chagrin, a large number of otherwise conventional Britons have approached the Mackay reforms in much the same spirit. The louder the lawyers howled, the more insistently the public called for reform. Lord Mackay can reasonably regard himself as

a popular hero. That said, the Bill has had a few of its sharpest teeth filed down, largely because the barristers did have sensible if unexciting points to make in the course of their damage limitation exercise. The Bar may not be popular, but it did establish that the Lord Chancellor's original proposals could have put at risk the survival of courtroom advocacy as an independent feature of the litigation system. The Bar Council now feels this future is secure.

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To what extent those fears were ever justified will now never be tested.

The judges were less content with the concessions they secured from Lord Mackay, in particular over their right to supervise the discipline of those who practice advocacy in the higher courts when solicitors were finally admitted to right of audience. The Lord Chancellor wanted the consumer to be well represented in the supervisory mechanism, and he has had his way. The judges were offered some adjustment to the rubric, to safeguard the principle that this important though somewhat obscure - element in the judicial process should not be subject to Government dictation.

Lord Mackay's approach has been informed by a desire to make justice more accessible to the common man. The derestriction of legal services will increase competition, efficiency and client choice, and therefore offer better value for money. The barristers' monopoly of litigation in the higher courts will end; suitably qualified solicitors will be eligible for appointment as High Court judges; solicitors will lose their monopoly of conveyancing. The legal profession will in general come out of its corsets. There will be much more flexibility to adapt the provision of legal services to the demands of the market, with the dismantling of some of the traditional, irrational and protectionist demarcations between solicitors and barristers, and indeed between lawyers and other professions.

The Bill will make it possible for the first time in England for some legal fees to be agreed on a contingency basis, but without the abuses that have brought contingency fees into disrepute in the United States. None the less the high cost of legal action will remain a barrier to justice for many. Once the Courts and Legal Services Bill is safely through the Commons, Lord Mackay might apply his formidable ingenuity to an equally radical reform of the legal aid system.

#### SEPARATE TABLES

British Aerospace has landed itself in a dispute after introducing a single all-comers restaurant on its site at Hatfield in Hertfordshire. Progress towards hunchtime democracy took a wrongturn when it offered its striped-collar staff £400-a-year more for having to eat there.

The reason, says BAe, was that managers had suffered a loss in subsidy through the closure of their old dining room. Shop floor workers, not surprisingly, have demanded the same amount of compensation for having to lunch with the likes of chief executives. They have withdrawn their custom from the restaurant until they receive satisfaction.

BAe has got oeuf benedict on its face, but at least it has moved in a positive direction, along with an increasing number of other companies. Under the influence of their overseas competitors, notably the Japanese and the Americans, they are gradually erasing the caste system which has kept employees apart at mealtimes.

Those companies which still cling to the old practice of having a works canteen and a waitress-service dining room (at Hatfield they used to have five separate eating places) usually justify it on one of two grounds. Shop floor workers, it is argued, sometimes wear dirty overalls. These leave a fine patina on the chairs, which is a cause of unease for wearers of double-breasted pin-stripe suits (or for that matter two-piece designer costumes).

The other line turns on hunchtime conversation. As executives like to talk shop over their escalope viennoise, the presence of somebody who actually works in the shop could be restricting. It is not easy, for example, for the personnel director to enlarge on the latest crisis in the car pool when a couple of drivers are parked at the next table. The Transport and General might be out in sympathy before he was halfway through his vichyssoise.

Both objections are easily demolished. Restrictions could be placed on dirty boiler suits. One need not insist, as the Garrick does, on collar and tie, although cleanliness is not an unreasonable requirement. Nor should anyone find it too severe a penance to avoid sensitive "shop" talk. Neighbours at lunch might actually prefer a little light diversion in the short break from the clutter of their desks.

Some of these more rigid class distinctions are an inheritance from the war and National Service. The Army, even on exercises in West Germany, still tries to maintain a measure of decorum, with a special tent for the officers set apart from the sergeants' mess and the other ranks' cookhouse. Some old-fashioned companies still betray these military antecedents by calling their executives' dining room "the mess".

Whatever the inconveniences of switching to more egalitarian habits, the advantages far outweigh them. Together with company cars and separate lavatories, the existence of a Management Only" dining room creates a division which lasts throughout the day. The one error to be avoided by firms moving towards catering democracy is in levelling down rather than up. If they provided tablecloths for everyone, with wooden chairs and carpets on the floor, they would not need to compensate their managers for having to endure communal eating.

The proof of this particular pudding is in the eating. We strongly suspect that the firm whose employees eat together also grows together and profits together. If we hear of one that does not, we shall sell its shares.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Light on Middle East nuclear aims Concern in Hong Kong unabated

From Mr D. A. V. Fischer Sir, You reported (April 5, 7) that Egypt was co-operating with Argentina and possibly Iraq and Pakistan in building a 20 megawatt nuclear reactor and "that there were strong indications that Egypt had joined the secret list of Islamic nations close to achieving a nuclear capability." The facts of the matter are:

Attentina is at present exporting only small research reactors of little military significance. The Argentine Government has formally declared that all Argentina's nuclear exports will be placed under the safeguards of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) so as to prevent their being used for any military purpose. Argentina has accordingly placed under IAEA safeguards the two research reactors she has so far exported — the first, some time ago, to Peru, and the second, last year, to Aigeria.

Egypt, as a party to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty, is re-quired to place under IAEA safeguards all nuclear material sand hence all nuclear plant in the country. The only nuclear plant in Egypt is a small research reactor of Soviet origin and 1958 vintage.

Iraq also has a small, aging Soviet research reactor. The large reactor she bought from France at the end of the 1970s was destroyed in the Israeli bombing raid in 1981 and Iraq had been unable to replace it. She would hardly be in a position to half France tentage. position to help Egypt construct a 20 megawatt plant.

A reactor by itself cannot make a nuclear weapon. A nation planning to acquire nuclear capability would have to build a reprocessing plant to separate the plutonium from the reactor's spent fuel.

Egypt has no such plant and even
if she wished to do so she would
find it extremely difficult to obtain one from the few countries that manufacture such plants.

Aside from the technical facts and from Egypt's respect for her obligations under the non-proliferation treaty she is the second

General Aoun's role From Mr Julian Brazier, MP for

Canterbury (Conservative)
Sir, Barbara Amiel's excellent
article (April 13) on hostagetaking and drugs provides a timely reminder of the pivotal role of the Syrian Government in both activities. The British Government rightly severed links with Syria over the Hindawi bomb incident. Yet the one man who stands against the Syrians and their destruction of Lebanon, General Michel Aoun, has been denounced by international opinion as a warmonger.

On a visit to the General in February I was impressed by the weight of evidence his narcotics rean have ams involvement of the Syrian Goverament and Syrian security forces in developing the massive drug operation in the Bekaa, which Barbara Amiel refers to. I recently submitted a video on this to the House of Commons Lib.

Faith in the media From Commander S. H. Stone, RN (retd)

Sir, Your leader, "Freedom of expression" (April 9), rightly emphasised the role of a free press in the preservation of "the lib-erties of the majority" and properly warned of the danger posed by public apathy to the erosion of the freedom of the media in contemporary British society. No attempt was made, however, to consider the cause of the indifference.

The news media do indeed exist to serve their readers, viewers, and listeners (whether or not at a profit) and precisely for that reason to say that they must be free to report public events faithfully tells only part of the story. They also have a duty to do so.

Many people have found the reporting of events in which they have been involved inaccurate and misleading. There is thus a feeling that if the media can misreport the events one knows about, how little can one depend on them for accurate information on the events of which one would otherwise know nothing.

Nor is this the only factor. The

A Nelsonian sundial From Commander T. V. G. Binney, RN

Sir, At the scene of the Discoverers monument in Lisbon many will have seen the beautiful map etched into the surrounding marble, showing the voyages of exploration of the brilliant Portuguese navigators of the 14th and 15th centuries.

A British version is suggested by the photograph in today's Times showing Trafalgar Square from the top of Nelson's Column, with the shadow of the column clearly displayed on the square below.

The column provides the hand for a giant sundial with below, on the surface of the square, hour markings - of course - but also, correctly placed in time between 12 noon (the start of the Battle of Trafalgar) and 5 p. m. (its finish), the key events in the progress of the battle inscribed. Thus would Trafalgar Square celebrate not only Britain's most illustrious admiral, but also, in the same scenario, his most famous victory.

Let us hope that this can be

done in good time before 2005. Yours faithfully, GILES BINNEY, Oak Down, Lower Durford Wood, Petersfield, Hampshire.

largest recipient of US aid and it is manifestly improbable that the Egyptian Government would jeopardize this assistance, as it certainly would if Egypt were to try to

Yours faithfully, DAVID FISCHER (Assistant Director General, International Atomic Energy Agency, 1977-81), 15 Willow Walk, Cambridge. April 11.

acquire nuclear capability.

From the Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt Sir, With reference to the report

Sir, With reterence to the report entitled "Egypt 'close' to achieving a nuclear capability" (April 5), I wish to point out that Egypt has no ambition of achieving a nuclear weapon capability.

Egypt signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) on the first day it was opened for signature on July 1, 1968. It had even participated actively in the Geneva negotiations of the NPT as a member of the conference of the 18-nation committee on disarmament in Geneva in the years 1965-68.

I was a member of the Egyptian delegation to the conference dur-ing the NPT negotiations. A few years later I presided over the third review conference of the NPT in 1985 which unsuccessfully reached a final declaration enhancing the effectiveness and the viability of the treaty.

All of Egypt's nuclear activities are under International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) safeguards and this is a result of Egypt being a party to the NPT. Since its accession to the Treaty in 1981 it has strictly complied with the letter and spirit of the Treaty and the IAEA can testify to that. Those who know Egypt's peaceful nuclear activities well would be the first to peace and claim to be the first to peace and claim to the first to peace and claim to peace and claim. the first to negate any claim or allegation that Egypt is about to achieve a nuclear capability.

M. L SHAKER, Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt, 26 South Street, W1.

rary, backed by a transcript from one of several trials in France of drug dealers caught with a ship-

load of drugs from Lebanon. Only a few journalists have acknowledged the extraordinary popularity which General Aoun enjoys amongst ordinary people in the free enclave of Lebanon. I found this particularly striking among the people I met in the enclave, including a group of Muslims and several people in areas dominated by the "LF Militia", a Christian force who are now backing the Syrian puppet regime in a bloody war against

April 12.

General Aoun. I did not know how to answer when one frightened group of civilians in an LF-controlled area asked me: "Why is the whole world against Michel Aoun? He is our last chance". Yours faithfully. JULIAN BRAZIER, House of Commons. April 17.

tendency of some elements of the media to concern themselves excessively with citizens' private affairs, again inaccurately, has given rise to a number of successful libel cases. The abuse of the freedom of expression does nothing to instil confidence, and I venture to suggest that the high level of damages awarded in these cases might be indicative of a

general distrust in (if not contempt for) the media. Less attention to intrusion on individual privacy and more time and effort spent on ensuring that public events are accurately, as well as fearlessly, reported might go some way to restoring the pub-lic's faith in the media, with a consequent increase in willingness to defend their freedom of expression.

Yours faithfully, S. H. STONE (Home Bursar), Exeter College, Oxford.

Jail overcrowding

From Lady Platt of Writtle, FEng Sir, Lord Windlesham's letter (April 15) evoked my wholehearted agreement, in his insis-tence that remand prisoners should be kept separate from ntenced prisoners.

At present the Government is engaged in the process of decommissioning mental institu-tions, to enable their inmates to live more normal lives in the community. They provide secure accommodation. Why cannot they be renovated to make them suitable for those on remand?

Surely that could be completed far more quickly than the building of new prisons. After the recent riots it has become an even more urgent matter. Yours sincerely PLATT OF WRITTLE.

Greenbury House, Writtle Green, Essex. April 15.

Trains to suit needs

From Mr Simon Hardwick Sir, The fact that British Rail would not sell me a ticket on Maundy Thursday morning to travel home to Taunton later that day, without a seat reservation, turned out to be irrelevant. This was because the whole Paddington signalling system was put out of action, apparently by severance of the main cable. In the ensuing chaos I climbed on to a train where more passengers were standing than sitting and got home

If by 11.30 a. m. on the day of

From Mr D. A. White Sir, With the British Nationality Sir, With the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill the Government is at least trying to do something to give a key section of Hong Kong people the confidence to stay in Hong Kong. As a British citizen, however, I am sad to reflect that my wife, a Hong Kong-born Chinese, would have been far better off marrying a local lawyer. better off marrying a local lawyer, accountant, or engineer than

marrying me. Were that other husband duly to qualify for British nationality under the proposed scheme, his wife would automatically become a British citizen. She would not have to set foot in England. She would not have to speak English. She would simply obtain her passport by virtue of being the spouse of a newly-created British

I, on the other hand, have always been a British citizen. Yet my wife will be granted no such privileges. She must spend at least three years naturalising by living in England and the effect of the immigration rules is that I must be there with her, this irrespective of the fact that our livelihood is derived from Hong Kong and we would like to stay. Worse still, if I die before she naturalises, she is treated as a complete stranger to the country, with no credit for her position as the widow of a British citizen. She must spend five years in naturalising.

When considering the second reading of the Bill, the members of the House of Commons could per-haps consider whether that is right. Yours sincerely, DAVID A. WHITE, 15A Albron Court, 99 Caine Road, Hong Kong.

Mandela concert From Mr P. A. Lightfoot Sir, Your leader (April 16) sug-gests that I and the thousands of

others who roared out a welcome to Nelson Mandela at Wembley had, prior to his release, been demanding that Mrs Thatcher "do something about Mandela" (your quotation marks), as if Britain still ruled that continent.

You do our education an injustice. Whereas those somewhat less enthusiastic about Mr Mandela mourn the loss of whatever grip over Africa Britain once had, I merely demanded, and still do demand, Mrs Thatcher's full support for the established international guidelines on trade with South Africa (any British respon-sibility for which she rushed to relax as soon as the release was announced), as well as her use of whatever "special relationship"— which is presumably like the recently-strained Anglo-American relationship - she thinks Britain has with Pretoria, to bring about the release and the still urgently needed democratic society there. Yours faithfully, P. A. LIGHTFOOT.

56 Tavistock Gardens, Ilford, Essex. April 17.

From Mr Harold Sores Sir, Monday's performance at Wembley Stadium must have

been unique in political and Blasphemy ruling From the Chancellor of Hereford

Sir, Your leader on the law of biasphemy (April 10) misses the main point of this and all legisla-tion in this country which is concerned with religion. Its purpose is not to grant protection to the doctrines of the Church of England while denying it to other faiths, it is rather an affirmation of faith by the State itself.

This is the very essence of our religious settlement, that the State should be built upon a particular moral and spiritual foundation. If there is no place for this in the phiralistic society, if religion has become, as you suggest, a purely private matter which is of no interest to the law unless public safety is endangered, then any government is colluding in hypocrisy if it fails to repeal not only the law of blasphemy but the whole ecclesiastical establishment.

However, the analogy which you use of race relations proves the exact opposite to be true. We have laws to uphold racial equality not merely out of concern for public order, but to affirm the dignity of all citizens before the law. The State is necessarily involved in moral assertions and the question is not whether it needs a framework of values, but which one is adequate for modern purposes and will command the widest imperative among its citi-

Muslims and Christians would agree that ultimately the dignity and worth of all human beings can be secured only by an acknowledgement of the sovereignty of God, and would therefore want the public moral code to be enshrined in a religious tradition which is publicly affirmed. The consequence of that will be a

travel British Kail aircady know that there are no more seats available, then they should be able to lay on additional facilities for that evening. What commercial enterprise would so readily turn away its customers in this way? Yours truly, SIMON HARDWICK,

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Wellington, Somerset.

From Mr David Tang Sir, I am astonished by Mr Norman Tebbit's arguments (April 12) against the granting of British passports to Hong Kong citizens. He cannot sumply surmise from the last three Conservative election victories that the majority of British people do not want any more immigrants.

Since immigration was never a central issue in any of the last three victories, Mr Tebbit cannot rely on the election results alone to substantiate his case of possible disloyalty to the majority of British voters.

The reason why the Prime Minister is leading her Government for a change of the immigration pledge is surely in humane response to the Tiananmen Square events of June 4 and a cri de coeur from the people of Hong Kong.

If the events of June 4 were not sufficient to change pledges and policies, nothing else would. The point is that changes of circumstances requiring changes in poli-tics occur all the time. Mr Tebbit can scarcely regard election pledges as sacred, as if none of

them had ever been broken before. Mr Tebbit thinks that "it is clear that the long-term future of Hong Kong depends on the Chinese, not the British Government . . ." The fact is that it depends on the people of Hong Kong. This is precisely why passports are being offered to them. Yours faithfully,

DAVID TANG, As from: 1112 Jardine House, Central, Hong Kong. April 14.

television history. The affront to the Prime Minister by a foreign guest in the presence of the Leader of H. M. Opposition with a clenched-fist salute were incidents of a four-hour, semi-musical political demonstration, financed largely by the British Broadcasting

Corporation without a right of reply.

It was certainly a unique travesty of the BBC's Charter. No political party or foreign government would be afforded a similar and global opportunity either to denounce its opponents or a friendly nation, largely British.

Yours faithfully, HAROLD SOREF, 20 Meriden Court, Chelsea Manor Street, SW3. From the Reverend D. Clifford

Robinson Sir, I write, not to comment on the visit of Mr Nelson Mandela to our shores, but simply to express a feeling of revulsion at press and television pictures of a robed bishop, albeit elderly, giving a

clenched-fist salute. We have seen of clenched fists being shaken belligerently from the roofs of shattered prisons. I hope no other bishop, near or far, will emulate this obscenity.

Yours sincerely. D. CLIFFORD ROBINSON, 5 Wedgewoods,

34 Beechwood Avenue, Coventry, West Midlands.

recognition that to dishonour the name of God is as serious a matter in the eyes of the State as contempt for the laws of man.

Yours faithfully, JOHN TILLER The Canon's House, 3 St John Street, Hereford.

From Mr R. N. G. Stone Sir, If the law of blasphemy were no longer to protect the honour of God or the sanctity of some religious truth, as Father Mahonev appears to suggest (article, April 11), but were simply to protect people's "deepest personal convictions", the question would arise why should it be only religious beliefs that are protected?

Religious people often seem to assume that the only deeply-held beliefs worthy of consideration are religious. Yet there are many who feel as strong and deep an attachment to their football club as others to their religion; and, perhaps more seriously, there are those who feel seething anger and resentment at the insult to their cherished principles when they hear the expression of certain

religious beliefs. For example, the call for the execution of Salman Rushdie is a monumental insult to the liberal values which many British people cherish as deeply as any religion. Any law which protected people's "deepest personal convictions" would punish several Muslim leaders ahead of Mr Rushdie.

In conclusion, it is not so much that Christianity needs to be removed from its privileged position in law, but that religion in general needs, to adapt a phrase of Father Mahoney's, to take its chances with other strongly-held beliefs.

Yours faithfully, R. N. G. STONE. 92 Foxwell Street, Worcester.

Stone-cold in Wilts? From Mr Peter Hayes

Sir, English Heritage's new Stonehenge visitors' centre will indeed be sited (subject to an enquiry) nearly a mile's walk from Stonehenge across Salisbury Plain (report and photograph, April 17), Will it include a Stonehenge hypothermia centre?

Yours faithfully, PETER HAYES, Shrewton Lodge Stud, London Road, Shrewton, Near Salisbury, Wiltshire. April 17.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE April 18: The Duke of Edinbargh. Patron, this evening visited the Windsor and Eton Football Club

KENSINGTON PALACE April 18: The Princess of Wales opened the annual drugs conference of the Association of Chief Police Officers of Engiand. Wales and Northern Ire-Hall, Hutton, Lancashire.

Subsequently Her Royal Highness visited GEC Alsthom Traction Ltd. Strand Road. Presion, Lancashire.

Afterwards The Princess of Wales visited the Riversway Docklands Development.

Finally Her Royal Highness visited the TFL Group, Interior Designers, Riversway, Preston. The Princess of Wales was received by Mr Simon Towneley, Her Majesty's Lord

Today's royal

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother will attend the Colditz Association reunion at the Imperial War Museum at 12.15. The Princess of Wales, as Patron of the Gunness Trust will attend a centenary luncheon at Nat West Hall, Old Broad Street, EC2, at 12.15.

Prince Edward will attend a screening of Odette at the National Film Theatre at 6.00 to commemorate the centenary of the birth of Herbert Wilcox. Princess Alexandra will open St Mary's House, a home for the elderly, run by the Grace and Compassion Benedictines, Preston Park Avenue, Brighton, at 2.00; and the new convalescent block of the Fire Services National Benevolent Fund at Littlehampton. West Sussex, at

#### Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Christian Ehrenberg, biologist and explorer, Delitzsch, Germany, 1795; Lucien Levy-Bruhl, philos-opher, Paris, 1857; Gertulio Vargas, president of Brazil 1930-45, 1951-54, São Borja, 1883: Richard Hughes, novelist, Weybridge, Surrey, 1900.

DEATHS: Robert II, king of Scotland 1371-90. Dundonald, Ayrshire, 1390; Philipp Melanchthon, theologian and Reformer, Wittenberg (\*), Germany, 1560: Paolo Veronese, teur, 49; Professor A.W. Wil-painter, Verona, 1588; Thomas kinson, paediatrician, 76.

Miss Alexandra Loyd and Lieutenant-Commander Patrick Jephson RN were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE: April 18: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon, President of the Girl Guides Association, was present this afternoon at the launch of the new uniforms at

Central Hall, Westminster. The Lady Juliet Townsend was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE April 18: Princess Alexandra was present this evening at a Prano Recital by Miss Ju Hee Suh, in aid of St Love's College for Training Disabled People for Employment (Exeter), at St James's Palace, London SW1. Mrs Peter Afia was in

Her Royal Highness The Princess of Wales will visit Pakistan in September 1990 at the invitation of the Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

### Sackville, 1st Earl of Dorset, poet and statesman, London, 1608; Christina, Queen of Swe-den 1644-55. Rome, 1689; engagements

Nicholas Saunderson, math-ematician, Boxworth, Cambs, 1739; George Gordon Byron, 6th Baron Byron, Missolonghi, Greece, 1824; Benjamin Disraeli. 1st Earl of Beaconsfield, prime minister 1868, 1874-80, London, 1881; Charles Darwin, Down, Kent, 1882; Pierre Curie, physicist, Nobel laureate 1903, Paris, 1906; Hugo Winkler, archaeologist, Berlin, 1913; Konrad Adenauer, 1st Chan-cellor of the Federal Republic of

The War of American Independence began with the defeat of the British at Lexington, 1775.

Germany 1949-63, Rhondorf,

#### Birthdays today

The Most Rev Luigi Barbarito, Apostolic Pro-Nuncio, 68; Miss Sue Barker, tennis player, 34; Mr Algy Cluff, chairman, Cluff Oil, 50; Mr Tim Curry, actor, 44; Mr Glyn England, former chairman, CEGB, 69; Mr Trevor Francis, footballer, 36; Sir Andrew Gilchrist, diplomat, 80; Sir John Griffin, QC, 87; Mr S.C. Harpley, sculptor, 63; Mr Justice Henry, 59; Dr John Horlock, vice-chancellor, Open University, 62; Mr Dudley Moore, actor and composer, 55; Mr Murray Perahia, pianist, 43; Mr Richard Phelps, pentathlete 29: Mr Justice Roch. 56: M Michel Roux, chef and restaura-

#### Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.M. Radway Dr M.J.R. Letheren and Donna Sibilia Tomacelli and Dr B.M. Finlay Filomerino The engagement is announced between John Mailler, elder son of Mr J.S. Radway, and Judith. Marchioness of Linhthgow, of Cincinnati, USA, and Sibilla Maria, younger daughter of Don Riccardo and Donna Irene Tomacelli Filomanno Dei Mr M.S. Lewis

Mr N.T. Allan

and Miss S.E. Bourdillon The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mr Richard Allan, of Holland Park, London, and Mrs Roderick Sargeantson, of Compton Bassett, Wiltshire, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs Mervyn Bourdillon, of Llwyn Madoc, Llanwityd Wells, Powys.

Mr P.D. Blyth

and Miss L.E. Reeve The engagement is announced between Paul David. son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Blyth, of Ashurst, Kent, and Lucy Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Frederick Dyer, of Little Alne, Nr Henley in Arden,

Mr A.J. Graham and Miss S.E. Aslett

The engagement is announced between Alistair James, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N.J. Graham, of Belfast, and Sophie Evelyn, daughter of Major and Mrs J.J. Aslett, Cumbers House, Rogare, Petersfield, Hampshire.

Mr D.S. Hart and Miss N.M. de Gelabert The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and the late Mrs D. Hart, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Spoudeas, of Hale, Cheshire Natasha, daughter of Mr R. de Mr D.H.M. Williams-Ellis Gelabert, of London and the late and Miss S.J.C. Stapleton Mrs M. de Gelabert, of Barce-

Squadron Leader B.W. Hockley-Hills, RAF (R'td)

and Mrs S.H. Cassidy-Lewis The engagement is announced between Brian William, eldest son of Mrs Stella M. Lambert, of Chesterfield, Derbyshire, and the late Squadron Leader George W. Hockley-Hills, and Shelley Helena, eldest daughter of Mrs Gwendolyn E. Jacob, of Tufnell Park, London, and the late Mr Louis M. Feinmesser, of Marriage Guyana, South America.

Mr M.T. Hulbert and Miss R.O. Simpson The engagement is announced between Matthew Trelawny, second son of Mr and Mrs Denis Hulbert, of Manaccan, Helston, Cornwall, and Rona O'Clanis, only daughter of Professor and

Mrs H.W. Sumpson, of Glasgow and Kincraig. Mr M.G. Lawson and Miss S.G.J. Bull

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs F. Lawson, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire, and Sarah. daughter of Mr and Mrs A.J.G. Bull, of Cold Overton, Leicestershire.

The engagement is announce between Martin, elder son of Mr and Mrs David Letheren, of High Wycombe, Buckingham shire, and Brigid, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Finlay, of Edinburgh.

Principi Di Boiano, of Naples, and Miss A.C. Helstrip

The engagement is anno between Mark Stephen Lewis, of Ifield Road, London, and Audrie Caroline, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Helstrip, of Ewhurst, Surrey.

and Miss A.J. Woodbury The engagement is announced between Edward David, eldest son of Mrs E.D. Mannix, and son of Mrs E.D. Mannix, and the late Edward A. Mannix, of London, and Amanda, eldest daughter, of Mr E.R. Woodbury, of Brisbane, Australia, and Mrs J.M. Kyriakis, of Cranbrook, Kent.

Mr M.A. Robson and Miss C.E. Morley

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Dr and Mrs Gordon Robson, of Waterloo Road, Bedford, and Caroline, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Morley, of Alfriston, E. Sussex.

Dr M. Rosenthal and Dr H. Spondeas

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Edgar and the late Ellen Rosenthal, of Romiley, Cheshire, and Helen, daughter of Basil and Nina Spoudeas, of Hale, Cheshire.

The engagement is announced between David Hugo Martyn, son of the late Mr and Mrs John Williams-Ellis, of Carregfelen. Porthmadog, North Wales, and Backnamuliagh, Dromore, Co. Down, and Serena Jane Clare, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Stapleton, or Place, Armathwaite Pla Armathwaite, Cumberland.

Mr A.M. Fogden and Miss N.M.A. Oliver

The marriage took place on Saturday April 7, at St Mary's Clymping of Mr Mark Fogden youngest son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Fogden, of Ashurst, Kent, to Miss Nicola Ohver, elder daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs Grant Obver, of Kirkcudbright, Scotland. The Reverend K.C. Oliver, grandfather of the bride officiated, assisted by the Reverend P. Craig. The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mr Simon Lush was Best Man. A reception was held at Bury Manor Barn and the Honeymoon will be spent abroad.

#### King's College Hospital

King's College School of Medi- its Clinical Medical School. The cine and Dentistry of King's Dinner will take place on Sat-College London Dunner will take place on Sat-urday May 19, 1990 at the Savoy College London

150th Anniversary Celebration Dinner for Past and Present Enquiries should be addressed Students of the Medical and to Mr. H.T. Musselwhite, Sec-Dental Schools: Saturday May

Past and Present are invited to this Dinner to celebrate 150 years of health care at King's 01-326 3002 (answerphone College Hospital together with service).

Hotel at 7.00 pm for 7.45 pm. Enquiries should be addressed retary of the School, King's College School of Medicine and Dentistry, Bessemer Road, London, SES 9PJ. Telephone

The Rev Ralph David Abernathy, the United States black civil rights leader second only in importance to Martin Luther King, died aged 64 on April 17. He was born on March 11, 1926.

MOST Americans retain a single, harrowing, image of the Rev Ralph Abernathy. This is the photograph of the Baptist minister kneeling on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis cradling the head of the dying Martin Luther King shortly after the assassin's bullet struck him on April 4, 1968.

For many of King's inner circle, men such as Jesse Jackson and Andrew Young, the former Atlanta Mayor, that picture always summer up the greatest contribution of a man who, they believed, over-reached himself after the leader's death and who, again they believed, betrayed his memory in indiscreet memoirs published last year. Abernathy, the grandson of

a slave, was King's trusted confidant and almost his alter ego. It was Abernathy, the older man, who in 1955 helped King organise the Montgomery bus boycott, the event that launched the modem civil rights movement. It was Abernathy who accompanied King to jail 17 times as a result of marches they led from Selma, Alabama, to Albaлу. Georgia. It was for this role of trusted

lieutenant that the Baptist Minister has been remembered by his former colleagues and not for the disappointing nine years that he spent as heir to King at the head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

As one of these colleagues has put it: "When King was a very young and shy man, it was Ralph Abernathy's friend- circle to account for his de-

ship and support that helped

dignity now spreading all over the world. His total life and passion was his support of Martin Luther King A stalwart, plain-spoken preacher, with no great magnetism, Abernathy suffered from the inevitable comparisons with his martyred colleague, a fact that he grew to resent and which, in turn,

estranged him further from

him emerge to plant the seeds

of human rights and human

the movement In his autobiography And the Walls Came Tumbling Down (1989), he complained that the others saw him as "no more than an appendage to Martin, someone who served as part companion, part bodyguard". This bitterness was held by some in the inner

cision to discuss King's adultery in the book, which became its most controversial

THE REV RALPH ABERNATHY

The details were already well known from other sources, but the veterans of the movement considered Abernathy's action disloyal in the extreme. Some put it down to the stroke he had already

Ralph David Abernathy was born on his father's farm on March 11, 1926, in Linden, Alabama, one of 12 children. As a post-graduate student in sociology in Atlanta he met king at the Ebenezer Baptist Church where King's father

The two men became close friends in Montgomery when Abernathy was made pastor of the First Baptist Church in and I would go to jail together

of the near-by Dexter Avenue Church. The two combined forces to organise the famous boycott after Rosa Parks, a black seamstress, refused to give up her seat on a bus to a

white passenger. As their campaign for nonviolent resistance - a strategy aimed at appealing to a wide segment of whites - broadened, they set up the Conference in 1957, with King as leader and Abernathy as sec-·retary-treasurer.

The civil rights confrontations helped lead to the passage by the Johnson Administration of the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

Of the many arrests Abernathy subsequently remembered: "Whenever Dr King 1951 and King became pastor we would spend the first 24

hours fasting to purify our souls in order that we would have no hatred in our hearts toward the jailer and a stronger determination to tear down the system respon-

he Memphis on the might after the murder, King's staff amointed Abernathy as his chosen successor. His first action was to lead the Poor People's Campaiga, a project King had been working on. It failed after long rains washed out its Washington camp.

Then, over the years, the Southern Conference lost its influence. When Abernathy resigned he complained that Coretta Scott King, the late leader's widow, was diverting support for the SCLC into the King Centre for Non-violent Social Change, the organis-ation run by the family in

Abernathy made an outsuccessful attempt to win the Congressonal seat vacated by Young in 1977 and he returned to spend his rema healthy years as paster of the West Hunter Street Baptest Church in Atlanta.

Younger black leaders began to reproach Abernathy for his conservatism. Coretta King and others finally distanced themselves from him when he threw his prestige behind the candidacy of Ronald Reagan in the 1980 presidential election. Reagan "lacked even prestige as an actor," Mrs King observed at the time.

Abernathy justified his endorsement at the time as a bid to win influence for black concerns as he saw the mation's mood changing towards the Republican and their

He is survived by his wife Juanita, two sons - one of them a Georgia state legislator - and two daughters.

# HILSUM

guished French publisher and indefatigable communicati died in Process

RENE History was the son of a Douch Jew and his Polish wife. He grew up attought Jewish exiles in Paris throng the nevery of Early Zola and the Dreytus Affair. He was known both for his bold and bright personality and for his capacity to survive two world wars plus deportation by the Name to the concentration camp at Matthewsen. "W. seemed indestructible" French critic community of his des

In his thirties, claring the First World War, Hissem became close friend to Louis Aragon, Paul Elmard, Philippe Soupenit (the leading French successist who died only last mouth). He was closest of all to André Breton, the founder of the (paradoxically) tightlyorganised Surrealist movement.

Hilsem published, in March, 1919, the first number of the review Littérature, which was founded and edited by Breton, Aragon and Soupenit.

It can matif August, 1921: then a second series (edited by Breson alone) ran from Merch, 1922 until June, 1924. The title had originally been suggested by no less than Paul Valery, and it published work by him, by André Gide, and by several other writers almost as eminent.

In time Hilsum frew apart intellectually from those Sur-realists, chiefly Breton, who finally refused to take the movement along with communism; he thus supported Ausgos in 1930 when he visited Moscow and published his communist poem Red Front - which called for, among other methods of dealing with the political situation.

But amongst these political manoeuvres Hilsum did not resiect art, music or literature. He had opened a bookshop on the Avenue Kleber where music by such as Erik Satie and Maxime Jakob was performed, and in which partness by Parasso, Chagall, Mo-digitant and Max Ernst and dibers were shown.

His publishing house Au Sans Pareil, founded in 1919, printed some of the most distinguished French authors of the time.

Among other works he pub-Ested Aragon's Feu de joie (1920), the famous col-laboration between Breton and Soupeult, the first "Surrealistic poem" Les Champs magnétiques (1921), Benjamin Péret's Le Passager du transationtique (1921) and Eluard's Repétitions (1922). And then, in 1929, he brought out a short first novel, Alexis. by an anknown signing herself "Macg. Yourceast".

#### **GEORGE AULD**

George Auld, who played the tenor saxophone in jazz groups from the 1930s until the 1980s, has died, aged 70. He was born in Toronto, Canada, on May 19, 1919.

MANY of the earlier jazz musicians had little formal training, either teaching themselves to play or getting another musician to help them. Auld was a performer of that sort, yet one who developed into a superb craftsman on his instrument.

Auld - his real name was John Altwerger - had begun went to work for Benny who worked regularly with the His family had moved to

by playing the alto saxophone Goodman and was selected to band. but shifted to the tenor after play in Goodman's Sextet, hearing a record by Coleman alongside the guitarist Charlie music was never properly Hawkins, who dominated the Christian and trumpeter Coorewarded by commercial approach of nearly all tenor tie Williams. His first record- success. saxophonists during the ing with Goodman was of a 1930s. Auld was no exception, Sextet session (with Count using many of beloop's harbut quickly cultivated his own Basie as guest pianist) that variant of the overall style. produced Wholly Cats.

New York in 1929. By the more that are nowadays re- Billy Eckstine's band.

Church news

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Christ Church. Gleadless, diocese
Sheffield to be Vicar, St. Catherine.
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University news

From the Wellcome Trust 674.119 to Drs R.L.P. Adams & J.P. Goddard (Biochemistry) to study site-specific methylation and the control of

gene expression. £60,760 to Dr A.J. Todd (Anatomy

The University Court has

appointed Dr Terry M. Mayhew to a Personal Chair in Anatomy,

with effect from April 1. Profes-

sor Mayhew, aged 43, came to

Aberdeen as a senior lecturer in

1980 and was promoted to

Dr A P Ambler was recently

appointed to the newly-created

technology in the department o

electrical engineering and elec-

tronics at Brunel University. He

was previously reader in the

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technology section, pages 31-34.

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reader in 1985.

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Grants

time he was 15 Auld was leading a group at Nick's Club in Greenwich Village, where the trumpeter Bunny Berigan heard him and asked him to

Early in 1939, Auld moved into Artie Shaw's orchestra, then at the peak of its popularity. When, a few months later, Shaw, disillusioned by the demands of showbusiness, walked off the bandstand and flew to Mexico, it was Auld who was chosen to lead during Shaw's absence. In November, 1940, Auld

It was followed by many

Bedford High School

The Summer Term at Bedford

The Summer Term at Bedford High School begins today and ends on July 4. The Middle School play "The Ragged Child", a joint production with Bedford School will be performed on May 10 and 11. The Guild Reunion will be held at Bedford High School on May 11 and 12. The Junior School play

and 12. The Junior School play,

"Joseph & The Technicolour Dreamcoat" will be performed on June 27, 28 and 29. The Sixth Form Leavers Ball will be held

on Thursday, June 28, at the Moat House Hotel Bedford. Colonel D.U. Pollitt retires as

Bursar on July 31 and will be succeeded by Wing Commander

School convenes today at

Bromsgrove for the summer term. The Combined Cadet

Force Annual Inspection will be

Force Annual inspection will be at Neschiffe Camp on May 2. The forth form drama production of "Wyoming" will be held in the Drama Studio on May 2,

3 and 4. The School Choir,

Concert Band and Orchestra will perform at the opening of "the Bromsgrove Hall" in Llanwrtyd Wells, Powys, on

May 5. Commemoration Day is June 30 when Sir Thomas Cookes Sermon will be deliv-ered by the Bishop of Lewes, the Rt. Reverend Peter Ball and the

guest speaker will be Baroness Young. Term ends with the

The Summer Term begins to-day, H.E.A.H. Stewart (Hailey) continues as Head of School and

Sarah Barrett (Alban's) as Sec-

ond Head. W.T.R. Meacock

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zrove School

R.L. Braban

garded as genuine classics of He also began to diversify, Alley - on Broadway and 49th, where, rather like Brit-

After returning to Artic Shaw, followed by a brief period in the US Army, Auld set about organising a big band of his own. It contained a handful of

black musicians, notably the drummer Shadow Wilson and trumpeter Howard McGhee. Others, including Dizzy Gillespie and Erroll Garner, were added for recordings, while Serge Chaloff, Al Cohn and Joe Albany were among the young white musicians

Yet the originality of the music was never properly

By the mid 1940s, Auld was monic devices within his playing. For a time, he worked as the only white musician in

**School news** 

(Melvill) is Captain of Cricket. Miss E.B. Clarke C.V.O. has

netired from the Council and has

been succeeded by Dr. Christine

Chaliacombe. Mr G.C. Smith has also joined the Council. Mr

O.S. Kverndal has become President of the Haileybury

Society. The Summer Concert will be on May 25 and Speech

will be on May 25 and Speech
Day on May 26, when the Guest
of Honour will be Mr M.W.
McCrum, Master of Corpus
Christi College, Cambridge. The
O.H. Reunion for those who

entered Haileybury between 1950 and 1966 will be on June

Summer Term at Harrow begins today. T.J. Hughes, Scholar, (The Knoll) continues as Head

of School and M.E.D. Jarrett, Scholar, (The Knoll) is Captain of Cricket. The Old Harrovian

of Cricket. The Old Harrovian Players will perform The Two Gentlemen of Verona in Speech Room on Saturday, April 28 and the School will perform Cyruro de Bergera on May 17, 18 and 19. Speech Day will be on Saturday, May 26. The half-term exeat will extend from 6.30pm on Saturday, May 26 to 9.00pm on Wednesday, May 30. The Eton v Harrow match will

The Eton v Harrow match will take place at Lord's on Saturday,

June 9. Term ends on Saturday,

James Allen Girl's School, East

Dulwich Grove, London, SE22 8TE, celebrates its 250th anniversay in 1991. Various

events are planned throughout the year. Anyone, especially Old Guts' interested in having de-

tails should apply to the

J.A.G.S. 250th Assiversary

Term ends on June 29.

Harrow School

June 30.

Headmistress

later, he occasionally took his saxophone out of its case. He also acted the role of a musician in a Broadway play, Garson Kanin's The Rat Race. At the start of the 1950s, afflicted by lung trouble, Auld moved to California, doing

opening a club - the Tin Pan

a house painting business. During the next three decades of free-lancing, including the making of many records, he enjoyed particular success in Japan.

In 1977 he took part in Martin Scorsese's film New York, New York, acting, playing and also reaching Robert De Niro how to handle a saxophone.

Llandovery College Summer Term begins today. Dr Gwyn Jones, Mr P.W.Ll. Mor-

gan and Mr B.K. Thomas have

joined the Board of Trustees and Mr N.A. Watts has been ap-

Mr N.A. Watts has been appointed Director of the new Department of Design and Technology. The Inaugural Recital on the renovated Chapel Organ will be given by Miss Jane Watts on Friday April 27. Speech Day will be on Saturday May 26 and Holfstern Evert

May 26 and Half-term Exeat begins after the proceedings on that day and continues until Friday June I. Term ends on

Summer term begins today. C.E. Watson continues as School Captain. Captain of Cricket is R.P. Unwin. Open Day will be on Saturday May 26, followed by half-term until May 30. Term seed on Imp. 27. The school will

ends on June 29. The school will mark the centenary of the death

of its founder Cardinal New-

man, on Wednesday May 2. Solemn Mass in the morning will be celebrated by the Provost

of the Birmingham Oratory in the presence of the Apostolic Pro-Nuncio, and the Archbishop of Birmingham will preach. A performance of "The

Dream of Gerontius' will be given by the Cambridge Univer-

sity Musical Society in the evening There will be a small

xhibition of items pertaining to

Newman's involvement with

the school, and a booklet en-

titled "Newman's Idea of a School" will be published on that day. The School's Newman

Centenary Music Festival will begin on April 27 and continue

Friday June 29.

The Oratory Scho



# Tracking down a

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent

have suggested.

a snack, or to provide groats [crushed oats] as soon as the wheat means that some of the wheat can be harvested, per- monosacchurides have not yet haps after a hard winter has turned to starch, and the caused a food shortage. "One occasionally en-

bead of tarry matter at their than a month early. distal end, when well-preserved, the hairs at the end of pire there were more subtle the caryopsis can be seen attractions for making fills: embedded in the exudate," a the grains are useless for report by R Hubbard and A almaking bread, and would be Azm in the Journal of less likely to be commandarchaeological Science notes. This suggests that the grain the grain would be excluded was not fully ripe when from the harvest proper, and charred, either because the thus from the attentions of plants were slow-maturing tax-gatherers, runts, or because they had. The process was already

This could be eaten as a beaten out of full ears." prepared in bulk when it gical Science 17:103-106.

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#### Dinners and luncheon

Orchestra on Open Day.

**Lunchtime Comment Club** 

The Right Rev Hugh Montefiore was the guest speaker at a luncheon given by the Lunchtime Comment Club at the Connaught Rooms yesterday. Mr Martin Barber, chair-

Сагшев's Сощрану Mr Gerald A. Long, Master of the Carmen's Company, as-sisted by Sir Robert Read, Senior Warden, and Mr E.R. Britt, Jumor Warden, presided at a court dinner held last night at Stationers' Hall in honour of the

Royal Corps of Transport Ma-

jor-General C.E.G. Carrington,

Director General of Transport and Movements (Army), and Major-General D.H. Braggins also spoke and the company's Sword of Honour was presented to Captain J.D.V. Martin.

Parish Clerks' Company Mr L.A. Lewis, Master of the Parish Clerks' Company, presided at a dinner beld last night at Watermen's Hall after attending evensong at All Hallows by--Tower. Mr John Price and

The Marketing Group of Great Mr David Wynne-Morgan presided over the dinner held last

Mr Keith Hutton also spoke.

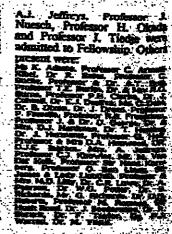
night at the Hyatt Carlton Tower Hotel by the Marketing Group of Great Britain. The guest speaker was Mr Allen J.G. Sheppard, Chairman and Group Chief Executive, Grand Metropolitan PLC.

Cutlers' Company

Mr LA Scott, Master of the Cutlers' Company, presented the Cutlers' Surgical Prize for 1990 to Mr S.S. Gill at the annual Surgical Award dinner held last night at Cutlers' Hall. Mr R.A. Everest, Senior War-den, and Mr James Hudson also spoke. Among those present

The President and the Tummer of the Association of Surveyons of Great Britain and Reland, the President of the Royal College of Optimizate Surpeons and Bay Masters of the Barbers', Curriers', Philippers' and Schiches' Companies and the Muster of the Society of Apolinchies.

The President Professor W.G. Haydon-Baillie, donated and presented the Annual Medal and Award to Professor Rina R. Colwell, who after delivering the 1990 Modal Lecture, was the Guest of Honour at the Fellows Danner of The International Institute of Biotechnology held last night at The Royal Society, Professor W. Bander, Professor



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belonging to a counter-revolutionary organization, of bribery, and of engaging in espionage and sabotage.

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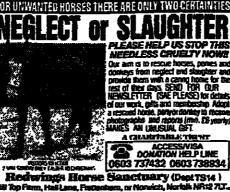
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JANACEK'S first operatic masterpiece, Jenisfa, may be rooted in the rigid mores of a Moravian village, and particularly in the idea that a baby born out of wedlock is entirely its mother's burden; her humiliation, her scandal, Its emotional clout, however, derives from acute observation of behaviour which happens the world over: people lash out violently if they see no other way out of

Oppressive circumstance The lash in Jemifa is horribly stinging A week-old baby is drowned in a freezing mill-stream because he would have ruined two adult lives. A girl's face is slashed by a man who thinks he can win her only by making her undesirable to others.

These events were properly appalling in the Festival Hall on Tuesday - which is odd, because this was an unadorned concert performance: last year's Glyndebourne cast, simply holding scores and standing in front of the London Philharmonic, which was in superb form under Andrew Davis's direction. For once, one was not distracted by trying to understand some director's "concept" of the opera: here the concept was Janacek's, the visual images evoked directly by the onant surges of his music.

One would not like to renounce opera houses entirely, of course. But the chance to hear top-class singers for about half the cost, and to hear the orchestra (which Janáček uses in a uniquely abrasive way) released from the muffling confines of a theatre pit, is something which the South Bank should offer regularly.

Anja Silja's powerful portrayal of the stepmother Kostelnicka, tearing herself apart with guilt, was inevitably the evening's high-light, but Philip Langridge repeated his memorably obsessive Laca, Roberta Alexander produced some glorious tone in the title-role, and Peter Straka was excellent as the boorish, drunken



# Pigeons and parallels

Jatinder Verma, directing an Asian version of Tartuffe for the National

Theatre, discusses it with Vera Lustig

That language do pi-geons speak? This was one of the questions addressed by the all-Asian cast of a production of Tartuffe, which moved into the Cottesloe Theatre this week after an extensive tour of England and Wales. The pigeons in question carry billets-doux to the love-lorn Munmauji (Marianne in Molière's original), whose gullible, despotic father is trying to thwart her by marrying her off to the "faking fakir". Tartuffe - in this new adaptation, a shavenheaded, saffron-robed, shuffling, chanting penitent.

The play's adapter and director, Jatinder Verma, whose 14-yearold company, Tara Arts, is also touring a version of Gogol's The Government Inspector, has turned Molière's comedy into a playwithin-a-play, framed by scenes at the court of the 17th-century Mogul emperor Aurangzeb.

There are a number of parallels between Aurangzeb, the self-styled Alamgir (world conqueror), and Molière's Louis XIV, the Sun King. Under both regimes, religious intolerance was rife. Louis persecuted the Protestants, while Aurangzeb sternly enforced Islamic law, suppressing the Hindu religion. He even reimposed a poll

tax on Hindus . . . Of course Munmauji's pigeons speak a universal language. With a grimace and a stylized gesture, the characters scrape their droppings off their faces. But the birds are

also given dialogue.

The guy who plays Tartuffe came up with this kooky idea," says Verma. "What about pidgin English? What is pidgin English? Patois is a kind of pidgin English, so is colloquial Gujarati. So one pigeon chose to speak a kind of Jamaican patois while the other spoke a very slangy Gujarati."

While avoiding what he calls "the sari syndrome" - the stereotyping of Asians as exotic and picturesque - Verma celebrates

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his ethnicity and the wide cultural and linguistic base of his cast. There was a danger that the production might be pretty, nothing more. But we have tried to use ethnicity not just as a ghettoized thing but as a point of

Verma's move away from staging Asian plays to adapting Euro-pean classics chimes with his restless search for cultural diversity. his fascination with different theatrical forms and conventions. It also fits with a kind of donnish impudence on the part of a man who gained a First in History from York, having come to this country from Kenya in 1968.

Believing as he does that "there is no such thing as a universal man", Verma has given free rein to the widely disparate voices of his company. "If one member of the cast were to be replaced, it would become a quite different production."

His actors have a variety of mother tongues, and some intersperse their speech with words and phrases in Gujarati. "I wanted the play to be an auditory experience, to echo the sounds you hear when you walk down an inner-city street in this country.

If the production is an auditory experience, enhanced by V. Chandran's witty percussion and zither accompaniment, it is also a visual treat. The company uses the acrobatic, stylized movement of the commedia dell'arte tradition

which strongly informed Molière's work. While commedia is well known in this country, the long tradition of Indian theatre, which dates back to 2,500 BC, is often overlooked in theatre history.

Yet Verma points out that the great classical era of Indian stage writing, from the 4th century BC to the 10th century AD, influenced later European plays. The structure of Goethe's Faust comes from an Indian play which was first translated into German. Goethe himself acknowledged that debt. Then there's the Natya Shastra, a treatise on performance arts, written in the 4th century AD, which is far more detailed than anything I have come across in Stanislavsky

e may have moved away from performing Asian plays, but Ver-ma has begun to lean more heavily on the non-naturalistic, multi-disciplined style of Asian theatre and also to borrow from the forms of Bombay film. The Tartuffe company did three days of workshops on dance and mask techniques and then further improvisations on the basis of what they had learned before scripts were handed out and roles allocated.

Still, in Verma's thinking, the actor's craft is not subordinated. He told me of a visit to an 89-yearold actor and teacher in India. "He was lying in bed, pot-bellied and wheezing. And then to demonstrate a point, he transformed himself into a 16-year-old coquettish girl. He became that girl. I've never seen anything like it. It was a total transformation, but it was not as if he was prancing around. It was purely in his face and his hands

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those settling into the stalls is

Stephen Fry, playing the exasper-ated author of a drama whose

spectators cough, sneeze, arrive late and blunder into the wrong

seats, sit po-faced through his

comedy, and laugh at his tragedy. The act ends with that feeling of

excitement and delight that can magically sweep and unify an

audience; but mostly it is Fry's,

Frayn's and every dramatist's

not always so apparent.

" It is all to do with the eye. He had been taught a technique of breathing which controls the iris. He can look at something 10 feet away and make you believe it is a mile off.

"They had to do exercises from four in the morning till just before dawn, when you could still look into the sun without damaging your eyes. I do not pretend in any way that we are approaching that point ourselves, but there are lessons to be learned.

Tartuffe is a zestful, inventive production, but it has its roots in a serious issue - the Rushdie affair. "Suddenly, people who had been citizens in this country became

He returned repeatedly in our interview to the furore over The Satanic Verses. "I chose Tartuffe for precisely those reasons, because it was funny and because it did have that theme of religious hypocrisy. I have no answer to fundamentalism in any religion. I only know that if we do not laugh at it, we will crack up.

● Tartuffe is playing in repertory at the Cottesioe, National Theatre, South Bank, London SEI (01-928 2252) until May 31.

# Confuse, confuse

YOU might subtitle this Noises Off II. That means it has high and probably unreasonable expectations to fulfil, since Michael Benedict Nightingale Frayn's earlier comedy was as Look, Look hilarious as anything that has Aldwych assaulted our armpits in the last 20

years. And as with so many companion pieces or sequels, capsule protest against the perver sity of what Pope called "the Look, Look proves somewhat disappointing, or at least will disappoint those looking for a many-headed monster of the pit". It does, however, also give identities to some of that faceless dramatic replica or comic clone. But let us give it its due: if it is less irresistibly ticklish than Noises Off, and far less lucid, it is also

In row I there is a genially senile American and his garrulous wife. played by Ken Wynne and Jovec more ambitious, less content sim-Grant. In G. a bland, bored Robin Noises Off took us backstage, Bailey makes fastidious advances Look, Look front of house. This to Steven Mackintosh's student. time, the spectators rather than who is more interested in Lisa Jacobs's weebegone schoolgirl, herself enduring the birthday treat being inflicted on her by insenthe performers are doggedly trying to make sense both of their unsettled lives and of an unsettling sitive parents. It is, however, the play. Most of the evening involves occupants of row F who come theatre audience, fidgeting, nearest to providing Frayn with a whispering, ruminating aloud -and much of it makes considerable plot rather than isolated observdemands on that audience's real-

Michael Simkins, plumply fluslife counterpart at the Aldwych. tered, is the businessman who has Consider what is the second act of both Frayn's play and his play-within-a-play. During these, he skipped a meeting for a tryst with his would-be mistress. Serena moves his dramatic action from Gordon. Unluckily, his presence the auditorium to the stage, and in the audience convinces Gabrielle Drake, whose husband has transforms the spectators we have met into the performers they have been watching. For one long told her he is at the selfsame meeting, that she is married to a passage, we simultaneously hear liar and an adulterer. In Act Onc them worrying about their lines and moves, and watch them acting the result is tension, embarrassment and laughter; in Act Two. out a romantic melodrama deexplosion. rived from the fears and anxieties

But that explosion is only one event of many in what is, by any standard, a fraught, overloaded second act. Now Frayn is making Noises Off-type jokes at the ex-pense of the understudy who does not know his words, the ice-cream prop that misbehaves, the misplaced gun. Now he is mocking the histrionics of thrillers, the absurdity of love encounters, the fatuity of death scenes, the pretensions of the avant-garde. It is certainly a confused and confusing play the characters of Look, Look are watching and performing; and all the skill of the director, Mike Ockrent, cannot make it less so.

And what does it all add up to? I for one emerged from this clotted. surreal mix with two tentative conclusions. One was that Frayn wanted to suggest that, in life as in the theatre, we are simultaneously actors and audiences: watching, being watched, and watching ourselves being watched. Another was that his dramatic imagination, formidable though it is, could have expressed that idea a bit more straightforwardly.



Exasperated: Stephen Fry in Michael Frayn's Look, Look

# Orgy of rampant infantilism

IF NAPPY rash is catching, then Kylie Minogue had better get down to the doctor's. Although, as she is nothing if not a dancing, prancing antiseptic swab, you can assume that she survived her first night on baby-sitting duty without

picking up anything nasty. Whatever you tell yourself beforehand, nothing can prepare you for a pop concert where the appointed purveyors of lager to the louts hardly shift a thimbleful, where the Gents is packed with little girls being chaperoned by their dads, where the squeals between songs are so high pitched that you practically need canine

people who say that Kylie Minogue cannot sing. This being her first live and undubbed date in this country, it was as good a chance as any to see if the

ROCK Jasper Rees

Kylie Minogue NEC, Birmingham

There are all sorts of things man can do to fortify a reedy voice in the studio; there are even a few mixing tricks that can shore up a thin vocal on stage (recruiting six backing singers, for example). You can include jaunty easy-tune cov-ers of "Do The Locomotion" and "Blame It On The Boogie". But singing a cappella, as Kylie and three of her helpmates did in "Tears on my Pillow", is the

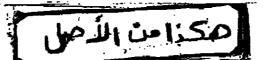
musical equivalent of going top-less some people should not do it. On the subject of which, we were led to believe that this show

raunchier image for Kylie. She duly appeared in a velvety black pyjama-like catsuit with matching cap, changed into a pair of silver lame hot-pants with shimmering ruby tank-top, and for the encore modelled another hot-pants-tank-top creation, this time in the colours of the Australian flag. You are entitled to wonder whether vlie's wardrobe people are the job their full attention.

Her choreography staff, on the other hand, have been working overtime. Most numbers were decorated with dinky little routines, enthusiastically trotted out by Kylie and her quartet of dancers. It was all much appreciated. You hate to be the one whose duty it is to point out that the whole thing is vacuous, worthless and crudely materialistic, but you have to. And you suspect that, given the look on their faces, a lot

# ears to pick them up. And so to the music. There are aspersion holds water. It does. ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY all's well that ends well 'TREMENDOUSLY WATCHABLE, INTELLIGENT PRODUCTION THUR - SAT 7.30, THUR & SAT MATS 2.00

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The Hunt for Red October, James Baldwin: The Price of the Ticket, Roger and Me, Shocker, Mountains of the Moon and Troop Beverly Hills

THE nuclear lobby does not seem to have been showing its "Come to Sunny Sellafield" commercials lately, but in their place over the last three weeks we have had three major documentaries about the legacy of Windscale, of which last night's BBC 1 Inside Story was

perhaps the most chilling.

Denys Blakeway's film, "Our Reactor is on Fire", told in straightforward, eye-witness recollection the story of what happened on October 10, 1957; a nuclear disaster that was the world's worst until Chernobyl, and one that still makes the "China Syndrome" look like a relatively minor worry.

But in the course of his filming. Blakeway. discovered something still more frightening for four years before 1957, persistent leaking of nuclear waste into the Cam-brian countryside had contum-inated the whole neighbourhood, so that the "atomic milk" scare had less to do with the fire than with what had happened before it. In that sense, the fire itself was a blessing in disguise since it forced a reluctant government finally to admit the dangers and do something about them.

: Windscale still stands as a monument to our ignorance in our desperation to fool ourselves into thinking we were a great nuclear power, we allowed, as new reports indicate, the dangers of leukaemia and cancer to spread through an area which only 30 years later is beginning to count a real cost which could add up to 100 lives

In the meantime Sellafield lives on, with authorities still able to control all information and neighbours recalling chilling stories of their children's shoes proving six times more radioactive than the highest danger levels allowed inside the plant.

It will need an Ibsen or an Arthur Miller and a latter-day Enemy of the People to bring home the true dramatic intensity of what is still happening in Cumbria in the name of nuclear progress, but with this trio of documentaries someone is clearly trying to tell us something - if only that Dante's Inferno was allowed to happen in, the north of England, so that we should not go naked into some conference chamber or other.

On balance, nudity would surely have been the better option, but in the meantime Blakeway's film had all the black and white intensity of a 1950s Sunday television play, somewhere midway. between a Quatermass Experi-ment gone horribly wrong and The

Day the Earth Caught Fire. The trouble is that it was all for real, and it is not easy to believe that it could not happen again: if it was possible to bury four years of nuclear contamination under the about to discover?

The Hant for Red October (PG, Empire 1) looks like it. Tom Clancy's novel was published in

1984 - a date which once symbolized future dread but now recalls a vanished era of European history and Western dread of the Evil Empire in the East. A title disarmingly advises that the action takes place "shortly before Gorbachov came to power", but the drama has lost its impact upon audiences freed from paranoia.

There is one lucky piece of topicality the sero, defecting from Moscow, is Lithuanian. Captain Marko Ramius (Sean Connery) is put in command of the latest Soviet secret weapon, a nuclear submarine capable of sneaking to the very edges of the shores of America to deliver a decisive strike.

It is soon established that the enigmatic Ramius and his officers propose to defect. At the same time it turns out that the vessel is not so undetectable to the Americans as was thought. Thus the drama is posited, as the submarine steers its predictable course between the Soviet navy, deter-mined to destroy the vessel rather than let it fall into American hands and the Americans, deter-mined to avert what could be a

nuclear strike. Despite the nuclear weapons and electronic gadgetry it all seems somehow very archaic, looking back to Run Silent, Run Deep and Ice Station Zebra. Whenever scriptwriters are stuck in confined spaces like submarines they become excessively wordy, with dialogue that explains both plot and naval strategy at tiresome

So The Hunt for Red October is stretched to a wearisome two-anda-quarter hours, without its director John McTiernan offering any compensatory visual style. Scan Connery is a consolation: here he is frosty-bearded, tacitum, myste-rious and possessed of some smart tricks to evade homing torpedoes.

Exceptionally, two thrilling American documentaries reach theatrical screens this week.

B ob Rafelson once said: "I am not attracted to making just any movie." Mountains of the Moon (15, Odeon Leicester Square) is far from being run of the mill — how many other films concern Burton and Speke, Vic-torian explorers of the Nile's source? - yet it seems a strangely impersonal pile of celluloid to surface from the director of Five Easy Tuces and The King of Marvin Gardens.

quirky mosaics of Americana, defly attuned to people and places; but here his individual

David Robinson

James Baldwin: The Price of the Ticket (PG, Riverside Studios) is an outstanding piece of film biography. Karen Thorsen had just embarked on the project, her first solo film, when her subject, the black American novelist, died from cancer, in December 1987. She therefore began by filming Baldwin's funeral in St John's

Cathedral New York - a huge, astonishing, emotional event, with Nigerian drummers and jazz performers alongside the crosses white cassocks and ceremonial of the Episcopalian Church. The funeral scenes frame a mosaic portrait skilfully and elegantly made up of interviews with people who knew Baldwin, and pains-takingly researched film records of the writer himself.

Baldwin was - and still is -resmeric. He was small, fragile, with a large head and extraor-dinary, brilliant, hooded eyes that fix you, even from the screen. His crystalline diction and compelling oratory came from his early years as a boy preacher. e was born in poverty in

Harlem in 1924; battled with his religious father while reading every book — "literally every book" - in the local library; left home and preaching to become a struggling writer; discovered him-self and an understanding of America as an exile in Paris; and returned to America as a literary celebrity, to throw himself with passion and effect into the civil rights struggle of the Sixties.

On screen, Baldwin is at his best when television interviewers are at their worst. One tells him: "You were black, impoverished, homosexual. You must have said to yourself, 'Gee, how disadvantaged can I get?'." Baldwin's face splits in his startling smile: "No, I thought I hit the jackpot. It was so outra-geous; you could not go any further. So you had to find a way to use it." A dim English interviewer's complaint that his writings always have

Facing opposition from East and West: Boris Krutonog (left), Sam Neill, and Sean Connery in The Hunt for Red October

no writer ever wrote a line that did

In later years Baldwin's critics charged him with bitterness.

"Immy was not bitter," says the formidable Maya Angelon, a fellowwriter. "Jimmy was angry — he was constantly angry at injustice, at ignorance, at exploitation, at stupidity, at vulgarity." Karen Thorsen has nobly encapsulated this magnificent angre. this magnificent anger.

Roger and Me (15, Warner West End) is an eccentric, combative political documentary, produced independently by a company called Dog Eat Dog Films with money raised by putting on Bingo games. Now it has the unusual good fortune of theatrical distribu-tion by Warner Brothers.

The film relates the fate of Flint. Michigan, after General Motors which was established in the town in 1908, and brought it to the peak of its prosperity - abandoned its Flint factories in favour of expansion in centres of cheap labour like

Mexico.

The film début of radical journalist Michael Moore, Roger and Me chronicles the outcome, as a quarter of the population lose their jobs. Shops close. Unable to pay their rent, families are evicted from their homes. Crime increases. A doomed effort to establish a tourist industry and automobile theme park bequeaths the town still more derelict

Moore juxtaposes the home

movies of his childhood as the son of a General Motors worker, old film footage, including Pat Boone and Anita Bryant; official songsters of General Motors' television show, and his own reportage of Flint in decline. The running joke which gives the film its title is Moore's constantly frustrated quest to meet and interview

executive, Roger Smith. Moore is a plump, shambling, untidy man whose very appearance is an affront to the ritzy clubs and parties where he leads his film crew in search of the elusive Smith - generally getting bounced for his pains.

General Motors' beaming chief

It ends on Christmas Eve, as

Christmas message to his staff, the Flint sheriff's officer hurries with the last evictions before his holiday, and Pat Boone emotionally croons, "I am proud to be an American". One has a strong sense of a time out of joint.

In a different way, one feels the same in Shocker (18, Cannon Panton Street), a reworking of the current preoccupation with horror films, slasher murders, premonitory dreams, resurrection, the transmission of evil from body to body. Even if most of this is wellworn, the director, Wes Craven, shows some touch of invention in his use of video techniques and the idea of characters entering the world behind the television

# Exploring the wilder African cliché

carrot-topped clown is introduced to Burton as "one of your admirers, Algernon Swinburne"; a native attack whips up a deafening soundtrack stew of swordplay, gunfire, flatulent music, grunts and mubarbing extras. We might

almost be watching Five Easy Cliches. Rafelson carned his high reputation in the early 1970s with Rafelson, to be fair, is truly interested in the story he is telling. An intrepid traveller himself, he identifies closely with Richard territory has been abandoned for Burton, the extravagantly curious expedition marches in pretty explorations in between learning 40 languages, becoming an expert swordsman, and translating The Perfumed Garden.

Where Burton befriends the African tribes and marvels at the wonders en route, his companion John Hanning Speke, a far colder fish, treats the natives abruptly and marches ahead, questing after personal glory. Upon sighting -and naming - Lake Victoria, Speke rushes to claim the sole dissquabbles rack the Royal Geo-

Comparatively fresh faces head the cast. Irish-born Patrick Bergin is strapping enough for Burton; while Iain Glen's Speke conveys the necessary mix of naïvety and self-interest. Yet neither cuts the deep impression their characters deserve; Rafelson's lumbering epic caravan keeps riding over

Exterior African scenes are annoyingly muddy in colour. But covery of the Nile's source with-out proper proof. Debates and English interiors, which are squabbles rack the Royal Geo-choked with gloomy furnishings, eral Victorian fug.

Here we find Fiona Shaw, bright as a button as Burton's affianced; Peter Vaughan in a smoking cap, cutting capers: Bernard Hill as Livingstone, stripping down to display his wounds. Such characters add some of Rafelson's old spice to the history lesson, though nothing can erase the feeling of an off-beat project that wandered too close to the conventional mainstream.

The Odeon Mezzanine, a nest of five shoebox cinemas which has sprung up next to the Odeon ness with Troop Beverly Hills

(PG), a foolish comedy ribbing the suburb's taste for conspicuous consumption.

Brittle comedienne Shelley Long plays a daffy housewife determined to prove her worth by taking charge of the local Wilderness Girls troop; their activities include jewellery appraisal and describing the autumn fashions to

Everyone bends over backwards to be madcap - not least the costume designer, Theadora Van Runkle, who clothes the star in 47 absurdly frivolous concoctions. A pity the writers were unable to think of just as many jokes to

Geoff Brown

ANGEL DUST (Palace, 15): Cop on the skids gets dangerously involved with a murderous write: conventional material, but the imaginative direction of a new French talent, Edouard Niermans,

BULL DURHAM (Virgin, 18): Quirky cackful of sex, Americana and basebal from writer-director Ron Shelton, with Kevin Costner as the veteran catcher hired to slap a losing team into shape. Tim Robbins shows his mettle as a cocky, dim-witted pitcher. 1989.

A CHORUS OF DISAPPROVAL (MGM/UA, PG): Cinema's first wrestle with Alan Ayckbourn. Michael Winner's direction could have been subtler, though the cast -- led by Jeremy Irons as the newcomer causing ructions among an ameteur theatre group — polish off their material with ease. 1969.

#### . YIBEO'BOX Geoff Brown

released on video. The year refers to the date of first release or, in the case of

A DOLL'S HOUSE (Teletar, PG): Jane Fonda as ibsen's Nora, dicking against the walls of a constricting marriage. Elegantly filmed in Norway by Joseph Losey; though Fonda's brand image tends to ride roughshod over ibsen's complex heroine. 1973.

CINDERELLA LIBERTY (CBS/Fox, 15): James Caan as the sailor on shore leave, mixed up with a Hard-boiled humour gives way to mush. Strong performances help: Director, Mark Rydell. 1973.

DOCTOR FAUSTUS (Telster, PG): Marlowe's play lumpily filmed in 1967, during a fleeting marriage between Oxford University, aching for glamour, and Richard Burton aching for respectability.

ANOTHER WOMAN (Virgin, PG): Suave, multi-layered character drama from Woody Allen, with Gena Rowlands as a middle-aged academic evaluating her life. Mostly serious, though with sty humour around the edges. 1989.

K-9 (CIC, 15): Ragged mixture of comedy and action, with James Belushi as a bumptious cop paired on a drugs case with a super-intelligent dog. 1989.

WICKED STEPMOTHER (MGM/UA, PG): Scratchy potboliei from B-movie master Larry Cohen, featuring Bette Davis's last

# A triumph of spiritual daring

WE WERE in the darkening nave for three hours, which gave plenty of opportunity for reflection about sacred art, about the Asiatic voluptuousness of Eastern chant, about the splendid noise that brass instruments, bells and tam-tam can make in church acoustics, about the blame attachable to Pontius Pilate, about the way the pain of sitting spreads from the buttock in a line along the lower thigh, about the achievability of an icon-like simplicity and decisiveness in the late 20th century, but most of all about the colossal daring of John Tavener.

The occasion was the first performance of his Resurrection, a telling of the story of Christ from the Last Supper to Easter morning, set out in seven great panels for soloists, chorus and small

SOMETHING about the sound of

a mixed wind ensemble, around 10-strong, is fundamentally re-

assuring. It has to do with its

sustained quality and with sheer

volume, which sometimes verged

on the painful in this recital by the

New Wind Orchestra. The com-

bination brought out the extrovert

in three of the six living composers

Anderson's Nachuritt, for instance,

brazenly stated that the piece is

all-purpose 'disaster' music".

Accordingly, it was over-full of cliches of melody and texture of

the kind one might expect to hear

in the more thrilling episodes of a

David Blake's Cassation was

also less than profound, and

The notes about David Sutton

represented on Tuesday.

Hitchcock film.

CONCERTS Paul Griffiths

Resurrection

Glasgow Cathedral scale; it was a spiritual daring, for

either the work is a triumphant affirmation of faith or else it is a huge sham. Which? I do not know. One could argue that the domain of the sacred embraces the vulgar, just as it embraces the sweet, the pretty and the grandiose, all of which qualities Resurrection has in abundance, along with occasional inventions that claim an aesthetic as well as a religious justification.

Stephen Pettitt

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Similarly, Malcolm Singer's Modular City, complete with screaming piccolo, was all about immediate impact. With a structure based on inequality, it is also fiendish to play.

By contrast, three other works encouraged us to fisten to the nature of sound itself. Ho Wai-On's new work, Inter-Wind, explored the sonorities possible with a palette of selected intervals, while Michael Christie's eloquent, static Windchanges took as its point of departure and return the sound of breath, which slowly pretended nothing else, though it sound of breath, which slowly is written with skill and relish for develops into pitched timbres, an Latin American dance rhythms old idea, but an effective one.

the flamboyantly melismatic lines for a tenor soloist in the Cruci-fixion liturgy and also later for Christ singing the Last Words. But these things rather pale in the light of Tavener's bokiness in wanting to create a holy mystery out of repeated melodic formulae and shock tactics.

The wonder of the evening was further enhanced by the high standard of vocal performance under the composer's cousin, Alan Tavener, conducting his own excellent Cappella Nova. Stephen Richardson was, the admirable Christ, solid and rich in the Russian style clearly expected. There were wonderful things, too, from Lorna Anderson as Mary, Simon Gay as the counter-tenor Judas, Robert Horn as the high tenor Peter, and Angus Smith as

Roger Marsh's Point to Point did much the same thing, though in this instance the boundaries of his

the Evangelist.

piece are set by a single note. There were also three works for smaller forces. Catherine Pluygers's Conversation Piece, originally for oboe and tape but transcribed effectively for this performance for two oboes (Pluygers and David Wilson), took a couple of simple ideas and mesmerizingly exploited co-ordinated and un-

coordinated echoes. Pluygers also played Julia Usher's A Reed in the Wind, a cycle of oboe pieces depicting the great winds of the world, which had fewer contrasts than its title suggests; and Alexander Goehr's Paraphrase on Il Combattimento di Tancredi e Clorinda, given by the clarinettist Mark Tromans, seemed but a pale reflection of the



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#### HEALTH

# A day at the sickening seaside

Just when you thought it might be safer to go back into the water, doctors are warning of new dangers lurking off the beaches. Liz Gill

reports on the contamination of our seas

ea bathing has been considered a tonic for body and mind ever since the Prince Regent first took the plunge at Brighton. Two hundred years on, however, many of our coastal waters are so poliuted that holiday-makers frequently find it healthier to stay on the shore.

This week the medical magazine General Practitioner reported that doctors were expecting an increase this summer in the incidence of "sewage sickness" - illnesses con-tracted from swimming in contaminated water - and warned that "unless you know the beach is safe and free from pollution, it may be

safer just to make sand castles". More than 300 million gallons of sewage are discharged into the seas around Britain every day. More than half of this, according to Richard Caines, of the Marine Conservation Society, is either raw or has received only rudimentary primary treatment. "We have been using the sea as a dustbin for a long time. Some of our systems are a legacy of the Victorian era," he

Mr Caines is editor of The Good Beach Guide, the latest edition of which, to be published on Sunday (Ebury Press, £5.99), details 150 of the cleanest and most pleasant areas. The guide, sponsored by Heinz, will also carry the Golden List, first compiled by the Coastal Anti-Pollution League, which includes information on any beach where there is a sewage outfall.

"Some of these are so short that the discharge doesn't even reach the water. Others end just within the water, but the muck and the seagulls would alert you. There may be more hidden threats though, when the outfall is not so obvious. A pipe may take the effluent a kilometre out to sea, but bacteria and viruses can survive two or three days and during that time they may be washed back into

Health problems are not confined to sea-bathing a dip in the river or canal may be equally

Richmond borough, for example, put up notices at the end of last season advising people to keep out of the Thames. A spokesman said the decision had been taken because of concern over pollution, floating wreckage and Weil's Disease, an illness carried by rats and transmitted in their urine to humans that affects kidneys, sometimes with fatal results.

British Waterways recently launched a drive to warn of the dangers of canal bathing. "The worry of Weil's Disease has grown because last year was a boom year Environmental Programme's

for rats, but generally you take a risk with your health if you go into a canal," a spokesman said.

Mr Caines claims not enough research on the effects of water pollution on health has been done, though there are some signs that the Government is now taking the threat seriously. The Department of the Environment commissioned a special study last year in which male and female volunteers from Swansea swam in the Langland Bay on the Mumbles peninsula on a particular day in September. Their subsequent health was compared with that of a control group of nonbathers. The results of that and a back-up study should be known

within the next couple of months. Anti-pollution legislation does exist: the EC's Bathing Waters Quality Directive was introduced in 1976, but since there is no uniform interpretation, results from one country cannot be compared with those from another.

"The British Government has traditionally only looked at the bacterial standards of water and not those standards covering clarity and viruses," says Blake Lee-Harwood, of the Friends of the Earth water and toxics campaign.

"This directive also only applies to areas designated as bathing waters by a particular country Britain has always dragged its feet over this one. For instance, it began by designating only 27 areas, which was seven fewer than Luxembourg, which has no coast. The number has now gone up to 400, but they are all coastal. No attention is paid to lakes or rivers."

The "pass rate" among Britain's designated beaches is 76 per cent. "We are getting there, but we're still moving too slowly," Mr Caines says. "We were meant to get them all past the minimum standards five years ago. And there are still only a handful of beaches that come into the really top quality of

rater category."

Compared with many parts of the developing world and even the Mediterranean, Britain is relatively well off, according to Professor Alasdair McIntyre, a marine biologist at Aberdeen University and chairman of the United Nations working party of scientific experts on the marine environment worldwide. The fact that only 21 UK beaches received the European "blue flag" award compared with 120 in Spain, for example, was not necessarily a reflection of comparative cleanliness: the measures might not be uniform and the award was based on other facilities, such as heach natrols as well

However, the United Nations



(Unep) plan to clean up the substantial overall improvement. Unep estimated that a decade ago 90 per cent of the sewage from Mediterranean countries was dumped in the sea with little or no

By last year, however, according to a report in Holiday Which?, the organization said the sea had generally been made much cleaner, though the situation varied from country to country. In theory all 18 countries bordering the sea are cooperating with the plan, but information on actual levels of pollution was readily available in only two countries, *Holiday Which?* says.

France, Italy, Greece and Spain are bound by the EC directive, but whereas France posts its beach conditions in public places and Italy's Ministry of Health publishes its findings, Spain was slow to release its 1988 figures and Greece, despite having 15,000 miles of coastline, had designated fewer than 100 beaches for testing.

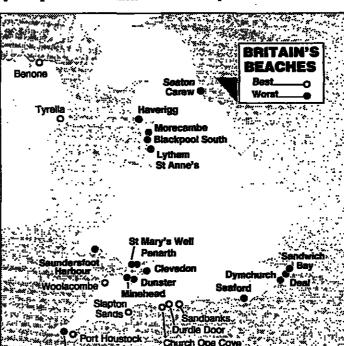
Professor McIntyre says many which is carried by worms

British beaches still have significant problems.

"To get the gastroenteritic upsets you generally have to swallow the contaminated water, but that's not uncommon, particularly if you're doing things like learning to waterski, which might involve a lot of falling in." Risks increase if the head is submerged, giving germs a chance to enter through the ears or

"Small children often run extra risks if they're playing in warm shallow water, because these viruses and bacteria attach themselves to particles which then sink to the sand on the bottom. Children tend to stir these up and they also tend to stay in the water

What you can catch from polluted water depends on the incidence of disease in the population. Although cholera, typhoid, hepatitis and polio can be passed on this way, they are rare in this country. Swimmers abroad, however, run greater risks of catching these and other diseases, such as the notorious bilharzia of Africa,



## Patience. and the patient

Surgery could be safer - if only we would wait

Dritish hospital patients Bare not as docile as they once were. They have come to expect the best, and it they do not get it they want to know why, according to the Royal College of Surgeons of

Against this background of raing expectations, the Royal College yesterday produced new guidelines aimed at improving standards of care and safety in operating the-atres, but warned that as a result, patients may have to wait longer for non-emergency operations.

The college recommends that hospitals should keep at least one of their operating theatres available 24 hours a day exclusively for emergency and urgent cases, and that fewer such operations should be performed during the night. when fewer staff are on duty.

The guidelines are a sequel to a report published by the college two years ago into peri-operative deaths in NHS hos-pitals. It showed that seve? patients in every 1,000 undergoing surgery died within the next few days or weeks.

The new report says consultant surgeons must take responsibility for all operations, whether done by themselves or by junior staff. If they delegate an operation, they must be available, or their whereabouts known, to the surgical team.

"The British operating theatre is still a very safe place, but some of the deaths which occur are avoidable or pre-ventable," Mr Adrian Marston, chairman of the working party that produced the new report, said yesterday.

Mr Brendan Devlin, who led the college inquiry into peri-operative deaths, said: "We found few instances of really had surgery, but see must strive to improve our standards."

He said the improvements could best be achieved by the creation of more consultant posts. "That may have the effect of lengthening waiting lists for some operations," he said. "However, wouldn't you rather wait a month or two longer and make sure it's properly done than go in sooner and run the risk of a

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# The seat of the problem

had served at Crecy before practising in Newark, Nottinghamshire, and London hinted at the embarrassment felt by many patients who find that they have piles, when he said: "The common people call them piles, the aristocracy haemorrhoids, the French figs, but what does it really matter so long as they are

Viv Richards had no such qualms when he issued a very frank statement explaining that it was his piles which prevented him playing in some of the matches against the English touring side. Haemorrhoids are dilated veins

around the anus or just inside the rectum, an area where there are some highly vascular pads which help to ensure good closure and serve a similar function to draft excluders around a If Viv Richards's discomfort made

him more irascible than usual then there is a good precedence for any irritability. Napoleon, for instance, was not his usual self at Waterloo for just the same reason.

There are many superstitions as to the cause of piles: boys are warned at school that sitting on radiators is a sure recipe for disaster and by their mothers that sitting on wet grass can be equally dangerous. Both are nonsense.

There is a strong hereditary tendency

MEDICAL BRIEFING

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

to haemorrhoids, presumably the result of an anatomical weakness which is uncovered by straining, particularly the straining which occures in heavy lifting. Contrary to popular belief, piles are more likely to be found in manual workers than in the office bound.

Any exercise which induces grunting, whether it is carrying stone slabs to make a garden terrace or pulling a dinghy on to the foreshore, may precipitate piles as may bowel disorders, whether constination or violent diarrhoea.

Napoleon was not the only soldier to suffer. In a text book of surgery written in 1741 by Monsieur Le Dran, surgeon to the French army, and William Cheseldren, surgeon to the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, the authors blamed the length of time soldiers have to stand to attention. Others have also suggested that there is a relationship between the human upright posture and the development of haemorrhoids. With the exception of the occasional overweight elderly dog, no animals suffer from piles.

Whereas the origin of most haemorrhoids is open to conjecture, some are very definitely secondary to other conditions. Any pelvic mass can cause pressure on the veins and hence piles; the most common specific cause is preg-nancy, the most dangerous cancer of the rectum. For this reason no rectal bleeding should be dismissed as "just piles" without careful examination by an expert for there may be a hidden

The usual symptoms of piles, such as \* bleeding, a mucoid discharge, perianal irritation and discomfort, are easily relieved by treatment as are the occasional complications, strangulation, thrombosis or ulceration. In the 18th century, army surgeons

recommended bleeding with leeches while the patient was held over a tub of hot water, a pint of blood a day for several days was extracted before surgery was undertaken. When the operation was done it was surprisingly similar to that carried out today. In fact, a patient's dread of specialist intervention is un-

necessary as very few need surgery. John Arderne in the 14th century realized how successful treatment could be; he did not charge for the operation but asked that he should be paid a small annuity, so long as the patient was trouble free. He died a rich man.

Sticky wicket



ers have shared fractures to the elbow, fingers, wrist and Fractures to the hands and

fingers are more associated splinting for two or three with boxers than cricketers. The typical boxer's injury, fractures to the long bones in the back of the hand, usually splint, but whatever treatment heals without trouble or any intervention other than the that the finger is back in use application of a slab of plaster within three weeks, regardless to protect the injured part. of the X-ray appearance. More complex treatment is Longer immobilization may usually unnecessary as the result in long term stiffness in other bones in the hand act as the finger joints. effective splints.

Early movement is recom- Split opinions mended and any resulting deformity - boxers' hands are often badly misshapen - is seen as a justifiable price to pay for good function later. An exception is a fracture of the base of the thumb, a Bennett's Fracture, named after a Vicpatient must expect at least on opposite page); but already eight weeks incapacity. If reviews, particularly that of

have a weak hand forever.

Fractures to the small bones of the wrist are a casualty officer's nightmare. They are difficult to diagnose, but if missed and not treated the cost may be a painful arthritic Domestic fractures to the

fingers caused by being caught in a door or window repair well. They may need simple weeks. This may be more effective if the neighbouring is provided it should ensure

Dido Davies's biog-raphy of William Gerhardie the 1920s author whose dazzling early torian Irish surgeon. Even if promise was never sustained, these are well looked after, the is published today (see review

painted the tragic picture of a man who even if he did not suffer from degenerative schizophrenia certainly had many of the characteristics of

the schizotypal personality. Doctors are reluctant to suggest that a patient may have a schizoid personality for fear that the resulting stigma may blight every aspect of the patient's life; the disadvantage of their consideration is that many people are deprived of the understanding, and sometimes the early treatment, which might have prevented increasing social isolation and

intellectual disintegration. In the past, the Americans have shown a greater aware-ness of the difficulties which may be caused by this reluctance, and to some extent overcome them, by dividing these particular personality disorders into different

If Mr Gerhardie had been an American, he might have been told that he suffered from a borderline personality, an avoidant personality, a schizoid personality, or a

schizotypal personality. The use of any of these labels could have had its problems, but it might also

badly aligned and set they may Richard Ingrams, have have persuaded his family and friends to protect his fragile

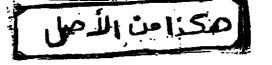
Although 40 per cent of people whom American psychiatrists diagnosed as having schizophrenia had had earlier personality changes. the overwhelming majority with these personalities never progressed to schizophrenia.

Mr Gerhardie's early career was glittering. He served in the diplomatic corps, had a novel published to rave reviews while he was still at Oxford and was befriended and promoted by Lord Beaverbrook so that he became a national literary figure while still in his twenties.

Even as a young man his character portrayed many of the danger signals of the schizotypal personality. Un-fortunately his lifestyle was guaranteed to accentuate rather than alleviate them.

As he grew older, his ability to write waned and his isolation increased. In old age he lived as a miserly recluse. eccentrically dressed, fearful of the world and surrounded in his musty flat by mounds of old newspapers.

His final work, found after his death, was gibberish.



#### **BOOKS**

# Pioneer of Modernism

Hugh David on the long neglected innovatory and way-out novelist of the Thirties, the peer of Evelyn Waugh and Michael Arlen

and

WILLIAM GERHARDIE A Biography ... By Dido Davies Oxford, £25 **FUTILITY** By William Gerhardie Robin Clark, £4.95 MEMOIRS OF A POLYGLOT By William Gerhardie Robin Clark, £5.95 GOD'S FIFTH

COLUMN

By William Gerhardie

The Hogarth Press, £8.95

eginning at the beginning, Dido Davies prefaces her efficient biography with a note or two on how its subject pronounced his name. For most of his life he was William Jer-hardi, although there were occasions when he preferred Gur-haardi or Gair-haardi, and even the final "e" was a late addition. This is no is life he was William Jer-hardi, mere academic pedantry, for such nomenclatural inexactitude is typical of the exotic individuality of William Gerhardie (1895-

The youngest son of a wealthy Anglo-Russian family, he early on decided that he was a "changeling", and not entirely of this world. Like one of the languid going men who worry their way through the plays of his beloved. Chekhov (characteristically, Gerhardie insisted on spelling the name "Chehov" and even "Che'hov"), throughout an un-enhodox education in St Peters-burg, London, and at postwar Oxford, he tortured himself with tentair comparisons to an impos-ly worldly, wholly imaginary aler ego, "Henry Esbheomargist". But if adolescence came close to breaking him, it was the Great War that finally made him. Fluent in four languages, Gerhardie was seconded to dip-

lomatic duties in St Petersburg (Petrograd), in 1917, watched the Russian Revolution at first hand and — for all the world as if the ctierry orthard had not been finally guibbed up — acquired his dandified, slightly effeminate "fisspot" manner in the gilded corridors of the British Embassy. early Twenties, as often as not with an urn containing his father's ashes in his rucksack, he began to write, despite the fact that his English was strangely accented and strongly tainted by Russian. He was still spelling "don't" as "d'ont", and wondering "why I was rendered in one single letter,

why it is not spelt Igh".

Miraculously, it did not matter. After the success of his first two novels, Futility (1922) and The Polyglots (1925), Gerhardie's literary career, launched on the



and Edith Wharton, became one of the talking points of the Twenties. Even today it is not difficult to see why. Futility is an astonishingly assured first novel. Simultaneously "modern" and wistfully Chekhovian -- part one is even entitled "Three Sisters" - it anticipates much of Gerhardie's later self-absorption in its firstperson account of a young Englishman's involvement with a ludicrously extended Russian family, whose fortune and entire raison d'être are destroyed by the Russian Revolution. Originally subtitled "A Novel on Russian Themes", it might now almost be described as a psychological love story; and despite its mannered style, it still has some claim to be bracketed with The Waste Land and Ulysses (both also published

English modernism.
Certainly it laid the foundations for Gerhardie's adoption as "the Pet of the Intelligentsia". He was lionized by Arnold Bennett, H. G. Beaverbrook, among others. But, as Davies movingly describes, well before 1930 he had also begun paying the price of fame. Like his exact contemporary Michael Arlen (whose own fictions Gerhardie's sometimes resemble, but always outclass), he soon became "more famous than his books" - gossip column rather the book-page fodder. "He is so and Sherrivapa, a cocktail of sweet sherry and evaporated milk.

Beaverbrook was considering featuring him in a series on "Splendid Faitures". s Davies demonstrates, "the mood was changing"; the Thirties were far more political and pragmatic than the Twenties. Somehow Gerhardie's Proustian fastidiousness was no longer enough. Tellingly, perhaps, it was in the first year of the new decade that he chose to publish his autobiography, Memoirs of a Polyglot. He was just 35, but as things turned out, the book was as much a valediction as the hoped-for potboiler.

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gushed in 1928, but by 1931 even

To all intents and purposes, Gerhardie had lived his life by 1930; and in Memoirs of a Polyglot he does it full justice, writing fluently, humorously, and as only he could about his childhood, St Petersburg, the war, and his later success. But, beneath the surface gloss, the warning signs are al-ready there. The book begins with "The Author's Speech" and concludes with a sermon on "How to Lecture in America". In both, the tone is hectoring, belligerent, prickly, and defensive: "READ-ERS, — My relations with the Situells continue to be friendly. H. G. Wells approves of me unreservedly; Bernard Shaw in And, as his public appeal waned

- sales of the (admittedly below par) Memoirs of Satan (1932) repaid only £192 65 8d of a £1,000 advance — so this embattled unfashionability grew. More than unreadable ("People stopped talking like your characters about 35 years ago"), but to Gerhardie it had almost ceased to matter. Holed up in his London flat, a virtual recluse, he lived in a world of his own, inventing at various times a self-pasting toothbrush

He was still writing, however and much the best part of Dido Davies's measured and wonderfully readable biography is her account of the dogged attempts to complete and place one "magnum opus" after another. It is a nuinely moving story. Sadly, the 85,000 slips of paper that were meant to coalesce into a vastly ambitious work entitled This Present Breath: A Tetralogy in One Volume, will now never be anything more than 85,000 slips of paper. On the other hand, thanks to the efforts of Michael Holroyd and Robert Skidelsky, God's Fifth Column, a "biography" of the period 1890-1940, which Gerhardie completed in 1942, was posthumously published in 1981. Now also republished in paper-

back, it is the typically uncategorizable product of a unique talent, mixing personal experience and public record to create a vivid picture of what was and what should have been. Quite apart from its own merits, its highly successful mixture of gossip, good sense, and academic rigour, Dido Davies's biography does just the same. Gerhardie, one feels, would have approved of its sensitive portrait of an unjustly neglected writer, whose downfall was his very strength. As Davies records, it was L. P. Hardey who noted that "an author does not cease to be brilliant, humorous and delightful just because he is aware of being brilliant, humorous and delightful".

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#### Novels of the week: Prima donna and Primavera passions

Paranoia, by definition, is a terrible affliction; but when Peter Prince's characters detect it in one another they almost sigh with relief. "It was all much more ordinary than he had feared," thinks Tom Scott on a mercy visit to Susan Strang, an out-of-work actress who for five years or so has been in a black mood, holed up in a miserable seaside town. He is cheered to find her "an everyday case of rampant rampage" parancia".

His unarticulated "Phew!" though, is a stage gesture of pantomime proportion. For as a television director, he, too, is "in the business", in a self-obsessed world in which dramatic effect and entertainment value can all too easily be drawn out of situations where it is not scripted. At the heart of this shrewd and funny novel about friendship in the world of stage and screen, sits a siren figure, the soap opera queen lurking in us all, who tempts us to slam down phones and compose drop-dead lines, to make flamboy-ant exits and plot triumphant come-backs.

Or, like Susan Strang - a onetime Best Actress of the Year for her role as Lucy Entwistle in a historical saga — to write spiteful, posturing letters to old friends because no one recognizes her brilliance, let alone offers her the right (which means RSC and leading) parts. Not surprisingly, Susan waives Tom Scott's offer of "three lines and a sneeze - just to get you started again", but only because she has landed the role of a lifetime.

Her director is Raymond Thorne, a sad, skinny local man, flattered to be befriended by this "star" who will not only listen to his maudlin stories of wicked brothers, Nazi fathers, and cheated inheritances, but will act upon the injustice of it all immediately. Pooling her sense of being wronged with his, Susan prepares to carry off an epic role of revenge. Wearing a fur coat, carrying a revolver, playing it up like the good professional she used to be, she crosses Europe on a train to shoot Raymond's brother.

All goes smoothly until the French-Spanish border, when contrary to the plan, she must go through Customs - with the revolver. The officials stop her, they notice she is using a false name, they hold on to the gun name, they hold on to the gun the apparent failure of Susan (disguised as a radio), they smile at Strang and the overt success of

# A star in her courses

#### **FICTION**

#### Sarah Edworthy

DEATH OF A SOAP QUEEN By Peter Prince Bloomsbury, £13.99 **PRIMAVERA** By Stevie Davies The Woman's Press, £12.95 THE ICE AT THE BOT-TOM OF THE WORLD By Mark Richard Cape, £12.95

her, questioningly. It's all over, she thinks, anticipating handcuffs. Then people start screaming, fainting, throwing bouquets, chanting "La Entwistele" It turns out the old see in an interaction. out the old saga is on international syndication. Instead of travelling as anonymous speck, Susan is a born-again star.

It is a brilliant moment of realization, and one in which both comic and compassionate poss-ibilities are expounded to the full. Blossoming under the adulation, Susan acknowledges to herself that she has tricked poor Raymond, that actors are monsters, who do anything in the great search for an effect, but this murder business is all a bad joke. And yet — but not too early in the story - her new found sanity must survive one last star appearance for Raymond.

In Peter Prince's previous novel, The Good Father, there was a lot of staring through rain-drenched windows before happiness was advocated in the modest values of being a loyal husband, good father, and faithful friend. In Death of a Soap Queen, the same preoccupation with the scale of personal fulfilment is mirrored in

Tom Scott. For Tom unrealis-tically, hankers after big screen acclaim with huge, sweeping dramas, before accepting the fact that his talent lies in miniaturist, sliceof-life documentaries for the Beeb. The denouement for both of them is highly entertaining, rich in

twists and happy coincidences.

In Primavera, Stevie Davies slaps two incongrous slices of life together – prosperous, rural Pennsylvania, and on-the-breadline Bradford, Yorkshire – with a sliver of Florence. Inevitably, the result is that one can never quite forget that this is fiction.

Moreover, it is a surprising affirmation of Victorian prudery. For when the blatant eroticism of all those Renaissance nudes causes septuagenarian Jack to fall in love with a boy in the Uffizi, he turns out to be Bradford girl called Jenny, while Jack's grey-haired wife Maureen finds herself in love with Nicki, a woman 30 years her junior. And all because of Botticelli's "Primavera". The hurlyburly of plot here is a rather schematic blurring and redefining of what one is encouraged to call

"gender distinctions".

Despite a well chronicled timetabling of daily life on both sides of the Atlantic, there is not enough to engage much interest. Davies's men are aggressive, rednecked brutes (until old and impotent when they become sweet): her women (predomi-nantly thin, fragile creatures) are for ever falling into each other's arms in spontaneous outbursts of intuitive understanding. The four eat, drink, and eventually shrug off their strange, experimental

Three early stories in The Ice At The Bottom Of The World are so riveting that one cannot begin to paraphrase them. In "Strays", "Her Favorite Story" and "Happi-ness of the Garden Variety", Mark Richard's unique, halting idiom eschews the brand-name dirty realism of other writers of the American South for a Faulknerian knife-edge of horror and hilarity. His characters don't shop in neonlit malls or watch MASH re-runs; they live in peeling backwater shacks with neglected kids, black eyes, stray dogs, and terrible marriages. They relive Indian myths, and become the victims of their own games and fantasies.

The later stories rely on an interest in seafaring; but the

#### Everyday tale of terror and nightmare morality in Ulster

Picture the plot of this tense middle-brow thriller as a love triangle bisected by terrorism. Michael Dillon is an unhappily married Belfast hotel manager, guiltily preparing to confess his affair to his wife Moira, and begin a new life with Andrea, an adoring media girl. In a well-oiled but particularly unpleasant deus ex machina, masked IRA men break in to his house and force him to drive a bomb to his hotel; force him to make a decision between murdering doz-

ens of innocent people or causing the death of his wife, held hostage. What follows spans just a few days. The narrative is taut, fluent. occasionally breathless: and it races towards its final, sickening sentence. Time is an urgent force from the outset, clock and heartbeat ticking like time bombs. Fearful uncertainty is reflected in a barrage of question marks that

litter each page like eyelashes. The novel's strength lies in its

Michael Wright

LIES OF SILENCE By Brian Moore Bloomsbury, £12.99

disinterestedness, focusing on the doubts of ordinary people in standing up to terrorism. Its weakness is rooted in the shadowy characterization of Dillon and Andrea, not clearly enough formed for us to fear for their lives with genuine horror. Despite some neatly drawn minor characters, the book lacks strength in depth, and does not generously repay second or third readings. Its

prison architecture is harsh and unremitting. Its smooth walls provide no jutting hand-holds for the reader, no purchase on the action. It is all black and mushroom, like Bloomsbury's stark-drab dust-jacket. Moore has created a compelling and attractively nasty novel, punching its way through the "lies of silence" that maintain the deadlock to the

Ironies become apparent, as Dillon begins to see his changed surroundings as a film in which he has no part. Like actors on a stage every character wears a mask of sorts, not merely the IRA in their Hallowe'en balaclavas. For Dillon, people look more "real" on television; yet his own experiences belie those distant events spooned out by the newscasters. The novel leaps beyond the media, films, and television. It is a double irony then that its faceless hero will only come to life in that inevitable transfer from print to celluloid.

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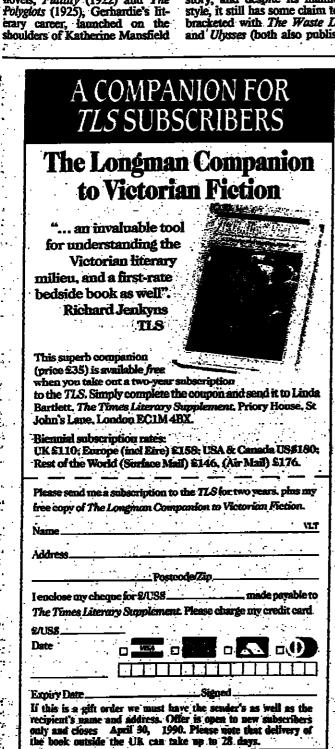
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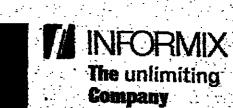
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# Monster at the market gates?

Is our last great opportunity for conservation in London turning into an architectural tragedy?

Alan Franks examines the controversy over Spitalfields

of influences at the part of the map where the City of London expires about to play a fateful role. A reworked version of plans to to turn the 12-acre site into a naior complex with one milthe local authority before the end of the month.

The scheme for this, one of London's last remaining sites of such social and historical sensitivity to be considered for redevelopment, has been fluential Architects' Journal, which claims that "an architectural tragedy is in the making". Built within a stone's throw of Hawksmoor's Christ Church, the complex would sport a seven-storey

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bars and three acres of public open space. The scheduled date of completion is 1994. Critics of the £500 million scheme, including the Royal Fine Art Commission and the houses. Together with the nearby Bishopsgate goods ard and Brick Lane brewery,

of the City. The fate of the plans by the American architects Swanke Hayden Connell's - the fourth set to be submitted - hangs on the decision of the nine- also maintain that in handing member Bethnal Green Neighbourhood Committee, which is expected to meet on: April 27, If this sounds like an oddly parochial body to judge the merits of such a momentous scheme, that is because in 1986 the local anthority of Tower Hamlets took the unconventional step of devolving most of its functions to seven such present scheme replaced an neighbourhood committees, earlier proposal by the archione composed of the tect Richard MacCormac. "It Beatty (the construction arm

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thornier problem than this, at Station. The sheer face of the power dresser if ever there was market and the tight little streets beyond. The redevelopment, say its opponents, spells nothing but encroachment the market and its natural detritus have kept the surrounding neighbourhood genteel in a déclassé sort of

Already the air is full of

new buildings, and because of rently hung between 25 the predominance of brick Liberal and 25 Labour memand wood in their construc tion, the renewed Spitalfields would keep a civilised hold on this buffer zone between commerce and community. They over 118 new homes on the site to a consortium of housing associations, they would be offering a planning gain without precedent in such a

newer foreignisms. The centrepiece of the new scheme would be a galleria, designed by the Spanish engineer-cumsculptor Santiago Calatrava, who boasts the roof vaulting at Zurich Station and the Felipe 11 Bridge in Barcelona among his attainments. Swanke Hayden Connell may be able to point to the refurbishment of yet they were also responsible for the Trump Tower. The neighbourhood of Spitalfields feels threatened by scale, and by the fear that in any plan purporting to link a nich area with a poor one, the latter will

development. Mr David Walker, the project's director of design, concedes that architecture itself is at the forefront of the debate, as it was before the

will aim to have a certain

building which is rather like inflated country .. It will also have some familiarity about the materials used - the brick and wood and Portland sandstone, rather than the polished granites and flashy, exuberant froms of the City."

He also stresses that there will be no large expanses of vertical elevation, and that the whole scheme is informed by the wish to show an appreciation of the construction of many fine Georgian houses. fler six years of heated deliberation, time is now of. committee, with its Liberal majority of three, rejects or defers the application, the Spitalfields Development Group inevitably fears a more hostile reception if Labour is

elections. The council is curbers, with the Liberal mayor having the casting vote. Councillors are this week seeking to improve access. have a meeting of the authority's still-centralized policy and resources committee scheduled to sit directly

If the scheme does receive approval, then SDG's adviser Goldman Sachs will be able to carry out its brief of seeking a fourth member of the consortium; the present three are the London and Edinburgh Trust (part of the Swedish Pension Group SPP), Balfour

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endgame stage. It is to move to a purpose-built complex on Waltham Forest.

says that one of the difficulties has been that a succession of bound to have enormous impact on the area as a whole, as it will bring the City into the rise in land values, and that that could in turn force mon husinesses out. The traders of the market have been extraordinarily compliant. What has increasing size of the vehicles,

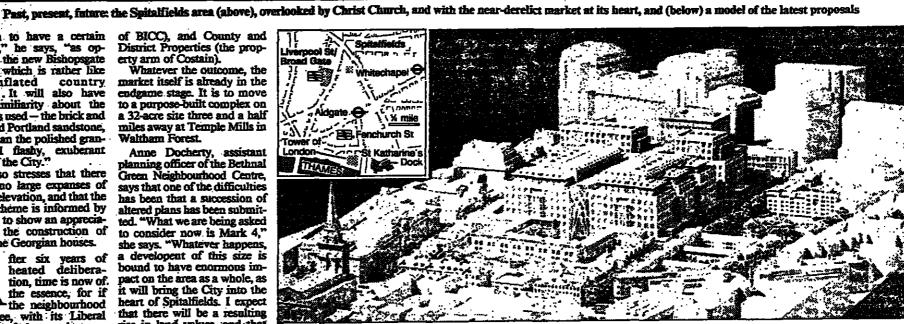
One of the market's longestserving employees, Sammy Wright, is stoical about the future. "I started here as an after the conclusion of the empty boy 49 years ago," he neighbourhood committee's says, looking across Brushfield Street at the boarded premises of M. Mack, the fruiterer. "Old Maurie Mack. He's been a long time dead ... empty boys were the ones who cleared up the empty crates after delivery. I will be going with the market when it moves. I don't know quite how it will be, but I am

Whatever the outcome, the market itself is already in the

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a 32-acre site three and a half miles away at Temple Mills in Anne Docherty, assistant planning officer of the Bethnal Green Neighbourhood Centre,

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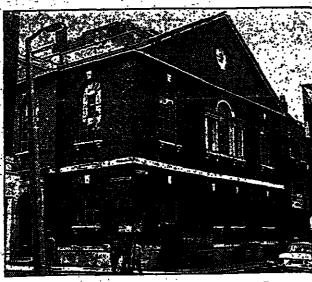
First came the Protestant Huguenots, fleeing from religious persecution in France. They transformed the open pastures of the Spitalfields into blocks of fine, sturdy three storeyed houses, topped by large windowed attics where they installed and worked their silk weaving looms. Outside they planted imported silkworms. They. brought to the East End a Calvinistic earnestness, directed towards hard work, the perfection of new techniques aimed at quality products, combined with personal success gauged by affluence.

No other refugees would encounter such rich warmth and sympathy - before or after. They were white, entrepreneurial and confirmed Christians. They prospered as cutlers, watchmakers, jewel- tion for any feckless transient, lers, opticians, locksmiths, mendicant, professional beg-hackers and glovers, and gar and comman in the above all they implanted the metropolis. Soon the residue clothing trade in the area that of the respectable fled. has continued to this day.

End and into provincial Eng. rookeries. The poet Francis land, and by natural assimila. Thomson caught the flavour tion. Among their legacies when he sought shelter in the were alms houses, charity Crispin Street Sisters of Mercy schools, a general hospital, mutual benefits societies ... of a City of Dreadful Night.

Spitalfields was largely Eng. 19th century, as inter-mar-lish or Irish. The once hant riages increased, a new Anglo-bourgeols side streets off Brick. Irish stock took areas of Lane became a point of attrac. Spinshelds. Their children

From the Huguenots to the new Commonwealth immigrants, the poor bring their hopes and skills



Aspects of change: the old synagogue in Brick Lane

By the 1850s Spitalfields

Then they disappeared, had become a dank, nefarious 15,000 of them, to the West slum, with a network of hostel, and recalled an image

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Famine in the 1840s:
By the early 19th century, brought a steady stream of the labouring force at the Celtic immigrants into the bottom of the pile in East End. But by the end of the Spitalfields were leaved from 1941.

now spoke in the local patois and it was against this backcloth that Charles Dickens set many of his tales, and Charles Booth commenced the first scientific exploration of an inner city deprived area. After 1881 came a steady influx of Jewish immigrants fleeing from persecution in Russia and Poland. As with the Irish, the Spitalfields Jew was subjected to local ostracism. Jews were vulnerable as a national scapegoat conjured up by politicians on the make and by ill-informed trade union leaders who viewed their coming as a threat to the

livelihood of their members.

The result was that in 1905,

first Aliens Bill was

The inter-war years offered prospects of upper social mobility, and the Spitalfields

ghetto began to dissolve. The Blitz, and then the post-war reconstruction of the East End, saw more and more children of the ghetto disappearing to other areas.
Of the Huguenots there now remain the splendid houses, and one church, L'Eglise Neuve, built in 1743 and subsequently a Methodist chapel, a synagogue and a Now, Bangladeshi new-

comers reside in the houses that once accommodated Huguenot, Irish and Jew. The old pattern of immigration has been repeated, the legendary London streets becoming a magnet for a poor rural folk seeking escape from perennial floods, famine and civil strife. There is still a flourishing light engineering industry, chemical and transport plants and, above all, the traditional clothing trade. One can still hear the hum and whire of machines, just as in the day of Huguenot weavers. And at the same time, there has been another, newer wave of immigration. In the areas bordering the City, housing is at a nium. Fournier Street still has houses erected by the Huguenots, and professionals looking for elegant and relatively cheap homes within walking distance of their ofare displacing fices Bangladeshis, while artists and sculptors have moved into the wide attic workshops.

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LUCIA DI LAMMERIMOOR: Blood may be green at the Collseum, but for the other Scottish play it is unequivocally red in Stephen Unwin's Donizetti production. Effective sets by Bunny Christie.

Civic Thestre, Scunthorpe (0724 840863). Tomorrow, 7.30pm, 27.50-68. Opera House, Buxton (0298 72190). Tues. 7.30pm, 25.50. THE MERRY WIDOW: The Monday

performance of Léhar's work at Buxton will be the first opera for the benefit of the deat and hard-of-hearing. Civic Theatre (as above). Sat, 7 30pm, £7 50-£8 Opera House (as above). Mon, Wed, 7.30pm, £5.50.

ORPHEUS AND EURYDICE: Revival of Gluck's opera in production by Philip Prowse, using his own designs. Cast includes Salty Burgess.

Opera North, Grand Theetre (as above). Sat, Tues, 7.15pm, £4-£21.

THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE: Keith Warner's hilarious G&S production for (Tues, Wed).

D'Oyly Carte travels south. Cast includes Marityn Hill Smith. Pavilion (as above). Tues. Wed, 7.30pm, mat Wed, 2.30pm, £11-£15.

DE FREISCHÜTZ: A stimulatingly original, if not wholly successful, view of Weber's arch-Teutonic masterplace by André Engel. Grand Theatre. Swansea (0792 475715). Tues, 7pm, 26.50-£23.

SHOW BOAT: In the wake of Opera North's triumphent production of the Jerome Kern/Oscar Hammerstein musical comes a more modest one from Blackpool Operatic Players. Grand Theatre. Blackpool (0253 28372).

Tues, Wed, 7.30pm, mat Wed, 2.30pm, SALOME: André Engel's excellent Richard Strauss production, transferring to Scottish Opera from WNO, is a maste understated study in eroticism. The

American soprano Cynthia Makris heads a new cast. Theatre Royal, Glasgow (041 331 1234).

#### DANCE John Percival

#### LONDON

Wed, 8pm, 25-225.50.

THE DYBBUK: Kim Brandstrup's new work for London Contemporary Dance Theatre with JoAnn Fregalette-J Noon Talk on Millionth Street and a creation by Aletta Collins.
The Place Theatre, Duke's Road, WC1

(01-387 0031). Tonight-Sat, 6pm, £7. ROYAL BALLET: Last performance this season of Prince of the Pagodes (tonignt), then Giselle with French guest Laurent Hileire partnering Maria Almeida (tomorrow) and Sylvie Guillem with Jonathan Cope (Sat and Wed). Royal Opera House, Covent Garden,

WC2 (07-240 1066), 7.30pm, £1-41. TURNING WORLD: A lour-week international season opens with Caroline Marcade's company from France in the comic Hôtel des Fraises (Mon) and List Dror and Nir Ben-Gal from Israel in their prize-winning Two Room Apartment and a new work. Donkey (Tues, Wed). The Place Thestre, Duke's Road, WC1 (01-387 0031). Mon-Wed, 8pm, £6.

ELITE SYNCOPATIONS: A revival of MacMilian's popular work to rags by Scott Joplin and others opens Sedier's Wells Royal Ballet's short London season. Also Buntley's Allegri Diversi, Balanchine's Tcharkovsky pas de deux and a new work by young choreographer Vincem Redmon.

Sadler's Wells. Rosebery Avenue, EC1 (01-278 8916). Tues, Wed, 7.30pm, £4-

#### **OUTSIDE LONDON**

WHO CARES?: Balanchine's Gershwin bellet, Scotch Sympnony and Petipa's Paculta, ends Scottish Ballet's tour. King's Theatre, Edinburgh (031 229 1201). Tonight-Sat. 7 30pm-9.40pm, mat Sat 2.30pm, 25-£18.50.

DANCE WEEKEND: Performance by The Cholmondeleys (tomorrow) and two days of workshops (Sat, Sun) with David Massingham. The Moltings, Eastern Lane, Berwickupon-Tweed (0289 330999). Fri, 8pm,

LA TRAVIATA: André Prokovsky's creation for London City Ballet at Buston (tomorrow, Sat) and Wolverhampton

**BEST SELLING BOOKS** For the week ending April 14 1990

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7	Fire Down Below, William GoldingFaber	£ 3.9
8	The Bridesmald, Ruth Rendell	£ 3.5
	The Negotiator, Frederick Forsyth	
10	First Light, Peter Ackrovd	£ 3.9

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central figure to both international and British networks of independent publishers and writers, Allen Fisher (pictured above) reads in London all too infrequently. The verse above the picture is an extract from his collection "Becoming" (December 1978). When he reads in London, as he will tomorrow, he brings work hot from the printout tray and as a result these are events that delight and surprise sizeable gatherings. He will be presenting material generated from Prometheus Unbound: "fly" and "convalescence" from his continuing sequence "gravity as a consequence of shape". Fisher is one of the most innovative and challenging writers to have emerged in Britain over the past two decades. He has made use of an astonishing range of compositional processes in more than 50 books. The word "process" is a key to much of his activity. His is a writing that confronts a society overwhelmingly dominated by the trumpeting of products for consumption. His work suggests a need to pay a careful balance of attention to those processes of creativity and understanding that can present more long-term satisfactions in the future. In doing so he asks pointed questions, with great wit and humour. Audiences are once again beginning to want serious substance and his is a positive voice with which to start. Sub-Voicive, The Victoria (upstairs), Mornington Terrace, London NW1 (01-340 6224). Tomorrow, 8pm, £2.50 and £1.50.

Opera House, Buxton (0298 72190), 7.30pm, mats Thurs, Sat 2pm, £4.50-10.50. Grand Theatre, Wolvernampton (0902 714775), 7.30pm, £5.50-14.50, mat Wed, 2.30pm, £3.50-6.50.

GISELLE: Christopher Gable's produc-tion for Northern Ballet Theatre. Palace Theatre, Manchester (061 236 9922). Tues, Wed, 7.30pm, £5-15.

BOLSHOI GROUP: Bessmertnova in Swan Lake Act II, and nine short numbers by principals and soloists. New Theatre, Hull (0482 226655). Fri. Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat 2.30pm, £12-£26. Hippodrome Bristol (0272 299444), Mon. Tues, 7.30pm, £12.50-£27.50.

#### READINGS

Cris Cheek

CAROL ANN DUFFY reads from her new collection The Other Country which includes autobiographical childhood pieces, tender erotic love poems, witty satires, and chilling futuristic glimpses. Poetry Society, 21 Earl's Court Square, London SW5 (01-373 7861). Tonight 7.30pm, £2.50 (£2 concs) £1.25

WES MAGEE: Prolific and popular writer of poetry, stories and plays reads from his current repertoire. Beeston Library, Foster Avenue, Beeston, Nottinghamshire (0602 255168). Tonight, 7.30pm, £2.50. SACRED ELEPHANT: Virginia McKenna escapes typecasting as leonine actress and goes for heavier game in presenting

thcote Williams's poem which high lights the plight of the elephant. First Floor Theatre (Westminster Theatre), Palace Street, London SWI (01-834 0283). Tonight-Sat, 8.15pm, £5.

GEREMY REED: Reeding as part of the opening of a new jazz club. Soho Theatre Club. Faico London W1 (no phone). Wed, 8.30pm and 10.30pm, £4.

APPLES AND SNAKES: Jean "Binta" Breeze's "nddym ravings (the mad woman's poem)" must be heard in performance for its full startling effect ... in the hot company of Liz Lochnead, Ann Ziety and New Hammer-smith Poet in Residence Jacke Kay. Covent Garden Community Centre, 48 Earthern Street, London WC2 (01-690 9368). Tomorrow, 8pm, £3.50 and £2.50. VOICE BOX: Joolz "Punk" poet's new collection *Emotional Terrorism* (BloodAxe) out this month called off-best - she's actually mostly on the beat (Mon). Katie Campbell, Canadian born

ournalist, playwright and poet reads short stories from her own first collection What He Really Wants is a Dog (Tues). Kathleen McPhillemy and Caroline Price, two new young poets get the

chance to air their work (Wed). For children: Richard Edwards leads a workshop and gives a reading of his own poetry for 6-9 year olds (Fri) and John Agard, charming prize winning poet from Guyana reads poems about taughter for 8-11 year olds (Set). Voice Box, Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800). Mon-Wed

7.30pm, £2.50, £1.50. Fri, 2pm and 3.30pm, workshop £1, reading £1, joint ticket £1.50. Sat, midday and 2pm, for prices see Fri.

PAT ARROWSMITH: Veteran peace campaigner and novelist reads her lvenus, London NW5 (01-267 2751). Sun. 7.30cm, free.

#### PERFORMANCE ART Ghislaine Boddington

MONA HATOUR: Measures of distai A slow motion video work set in her mother's Beirut apartment shows deepfelt separation. Also sharing the bill, Anne Tallentire's "Altered tracks",a performance piece that deals with, and eks to define, the intricate comp ities of insh women. Work exploring the itical and social contradictions of their backgrounds. Followed by discussion. Greenwich Citizens Gallery, 151 Powys Street, Woolwich, London SE18 (01-316 2752). Tonight, 6pm, free, creche on

ANNIE GRIFFIN: Gioris Presents Ari-adhe. Written and directed by Griffin. An exciting mixed group of young performextensing makes group or young performers explore what seems to be a late 20th-century obsession with Greek myths.

Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SW1 (01-928 8800). Tonight, 7.45pm, 26 (24 concs).

ANNIE GRIFFIN: Almost Persuade excellent show extended for a further

TaC2, 20-22, Highbury Corner, London N3 (01-700 5716). Tues-Thurs (weekly) 7.30pm, tata show Thurs, 10pm (late bar), £6.

DAVID WARD: Keepers of Light. Ward's strong form "photograph without a camera" exhibition is augmented this week by "lightwork", a children's work-shop for 8-10 years, combining movement, light, sound and photogr idge Darkroom, Dales Bre Gwydir Street, Cambridge (0223 350725). Workshop: Today, tomorrow, 10am-4pm, 25. Exhibition: Tues-Sat 12-6pm, Sun 2-5pm, free. Until May 13.

FRAM COTTELL: Window Shopping Especially at Stx. One of a series of window displays challenging the defi-nition of public art. On view 24 hours a

day. Until May 3. "109 Charing Cross Road" (two windows), St Martin's College of Art and Design, London WC2 (01-753 9090).

A RALF RALF PRODUCTION: Dinner. An international group of performers undergo the etiquette of a formal dinner and overcome communication proble nvented non-verbal tongues explore the textures and dynamics of language.
Third Eye Centre, 346-354 Sauchiehall Street, Glagow (041 332 0522). Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, £2 (£1 concs).

LACOR MARLEY AND STEPHEN TAY-LOR-WOODROW: The Second Sitt LOR-WOODROW: The Second Sitting. A specially commissioned piece created by two established performers/artists, a rerun of the Last Supper within a surreal

hoenix Arts Centre, 11 News Street, Leicester (0533 554854). Fri, Sat, 8pm, £4 (£3 concs).

TAKTYLE THEATRE COMPANY: A Mother of Millions. Physical theatre. music and Kandinsky-inspired visuals take the audience on three journeys through Russia. An examination of Soviet Union stereotypes and glasnost. Norwich Arts Centre, St Benedict Street, Norwich (0603 660352), Tonight tomorrow, 8pm, £4 (£3 concs).

NOLA RAE: Classics. A "greatest hits" collection of short pieces from the most successful parts of her shows over the year. The "queen of mime" has reached uth Holland Centre, Market Place, Spaiding (0775 725031). Tomorrow, 8pm, £3 (£2.50 concs).

Compiled by Karl Knight Items for inclusion should be sent at least 10 days before publication to Preview, The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London E1

#### CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's selection of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country.

**NEW RELEASES** BILL AND TED'S EXCELLENT

ADVENTURE (PG): Amiable if traveiling, woolly-headed teenagers.

Carnons: Chelsea (01-352 5096) Oxford Street (01-636 0310) Panton Street (01-930 0631) Odeons: Kensington (01-802 6644/5) Swiss Cottage (01-722

**CAPTAIN JOHNNO (U): Winning** Australian children's film about a deal boy finding solace with the sea and an Italian immigrant. ICA Cinema (01-930 3647). From

McCABE AND MRS MILLER (18): Revival of Robert Altman's moody Western of a gambler (Warren Beatty) establishing a bordello in a mining town. With Julie Christie. Camden Plaza (01-485 2443). SANTA SANGRE (18): Alejandro Jodorowsky's extraordinary, disturbing, blood-soaked fantasy

set in a travelling circus. Metro (01-437 0757) Gate (01-727 UNICLE BUCK (12): Filmsy comedy with John Candy as a ne'er-do-well taking care of his brother's children.

Cannons: Baker Street (01-935) 9772) Fulhern Road (01-370 2636 abury Avenue (01-836 8861) Plaza (01-497 9999) Whiteleys (01-CURRENT

ALL DOGS GO TO HEAVEN (U): Disjointed, unappealing cartoon fantasy about a low-life dog returning from the deed. Camden Parkway (01-267 7034) Notting Hill Coronet (01-727 6705) Odeona: Leicester Square (01-930 6111) Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905) eys (01-792 3303/3324).

**BORN ON THE FOURTH OF** JULY (18): Dynamic anti-Vietnam epic from Otiver Stone, with Tom Cruise excellent as paraplegic Ron

Berbican (01-638 8891) Cannons: Baker Street (01-935 9772) Empire

CELIA (15): Powerful Australian portrait of a rebellious child in a restrictive society. Striking debut by director Ann Turner. Cannon Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148) Metro (01-437 0757).

CHICAGO JOE AND THE SHOWGIRL (18): Bold, flawed exhumation of a murderous crime scree in wartime London. Emily Lloyd, Klefer Sutherland. on West End (01-930 5252/7615).

CINEMA PARADISO (PG): Giuseppe Tornatore's nostalgic tale of a small Sicilian cinema; a hugely ling salute to the movies. Curzon Maytair (01-465 8865).

COURAGE MOUNTAIN (U): Lame. sourcus adventures of Johanna Spyri's herome Heidi in World Wai Cannona: Chelses (01-352 5096)

Tottenhem Court Road (01-636 6148) Panton Street (01-930 0631) . **ORIVING MISS DAISY (U):** ica Tandy as the pricity Southern lady with a black chauffeur (Morgan Freeman). Cannon Futhern Road (01-370) 2636) Minema (01-235 4225)

Warner (01-439 0791) Whitsleys (01-792 3303/3324). **DUST IN THE WIND: Tribulations of** teenagers in the big city; affectionate 1986 film by the

wanese master Hou Hsiao-ICA Cinema (01-930 3647). ENEMIES, A LOVE STORY (15): Isaac Bashevis Singer's novel about a Holocaust survivor's complicated love life, skitfully filmed by Paul Mazursky. Ron Silver, Anjefica Huston. Odeon Haymerket (01-839 7697) Screen on the Hill (01-435 3366).

THE FABULOUS BAKER BOYS (15): Highly diverting freworks between a blonde singer (M.cno/e Pterffer) and two cocktail planists (Jeff and Seau Bridges). Caraden Parkway (01-267 7034) Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (01-835 8861) Odeons: Kensington (01-602 5644/5) Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905) Screen on Baker Street (0)-935 2772) Whiteleys (01-792

3303/3324). ◆ GLORY (15): Edward Zwick's impassioned salute to the black Americans who fought in the Civil War, powerful performances. Cannon Panton Street (01-930

 HONEY, I SHRUNK THE KIDS (U): Minuscule children battle through their garden to safety. Engaging special-effects romp. Camion Penteri Street (01-530 0631) Whiteleys (01-792

3303/3324) JESUS OF MONTREAL (18): Passion Play trouble in Montreal. Obvious but elegant saure irom miere (01-439 4470) Renoir (01-

MY LEFT FOOT (15): The Christy Brown story; uplifting fare, marvellously acted, with Oscar winners Daniel Day-Lewis and Brenda Fricker. Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644/5) Premiere (01-439 4470) Screen on Baker Street (01-935 2772)

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(01-722 5905) Screen on the Green (01-226 3520) Warner West End (01-439 0791) Whateleys (01-792 3303/3324). THE RESCUERS (U): Disney cartoon from 1977, uneasily poised between old studio traditions and nporary urban sabre. Cannon Futhern Road (01-370) 2636) Cannon Oxford Street (01-

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837 8402). STRAPLESS (15): David Hare's intriguing drama about love, betrayat, and political activism

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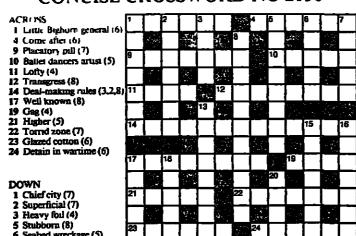
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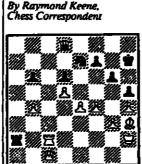
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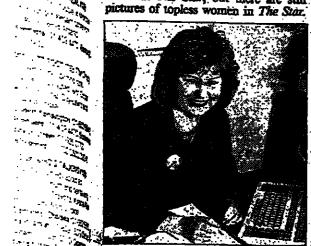
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• Killer Bimbos on Fleet Street!, this week's Forty Minutes (BBC2, 9.30pm), takes as its premise the fact that there are many more women in power on the popular newspapers than there used to be. The programme begins by pointing out that this has not affected the quality of output: there is a woman picture editor at *The Star*, but there are



Patsy Chapman, editor of News of the World (BBC2, 9.30pm)

The two most high-flying killer bimbos are Eve Pollard, the editor of The Sunday Mirror, and Patsy Chapman, the editor of News of the World. As the credits roll, there is a brief snippet of Chapman owning up to the fact that she does not have much of a conscience: it is a typically tabloid moment — a quotation taken out of context which paints the person who utters it in a poor light. But, as another killer bimbo points out, career girls don't cry. Cut to a scene in which said killer bimbo keeps an appointment with her acupuncturist, to whom she pours out her troubles. This light-hearted inquiry plays tabloid journalism at its own game. The glib, reductive captions which crop up at the bottom of the screen grate after a while, but then so does the

grate after a while, but then so does the pro style they are parodying.

The stock of French and Saunders BBC2, 9.00pm) has risen as their stock of jokes has grown. The trusty "You're fatter than me"/"You're upstaging me" gags are still there, but they have been joined by several new ones, several laws ones, several cleverer new ones, including a series of well-judged send-ups of the rich and famous: tonight they dress up as Marilyn Monroe and Jane Russell ("French and Saunders are a girl's best friend"). They seem to be everyone's best friend, as they have no trouble recruiting real live-celebrities to appear in their sketches. They overcrowd tonight's penultimate show so much that, if you didn't know them better, you might suspect them of

• A Month in the Country (Channel 4 9.30pm) was released as the Kenneth Branagh boom was gathering pace Branagh's performance in this tale of trench-shock and recuperation is fine enough, but what makes Pat O'Connor's film especially mesmerizing is the mea-sured emotional power of Colin Firth. ■ This Week (ITV, 8.30pm) examines the "Battle for Peace" in the Middle East. Both the Israelis and the Palestinians are allowed to put their case: there are interviews with Shimon Peres and Yassir Arafat, plus the British heroine of the Beiruit siege, Dr Pauline Cutting.

(SEATVILONDON ....)

6.00 TV-am begins with News and Good Morning Britain presented by Maya Evan and, from 7.00, by Milke Morris and Lorraine Kelly. With news at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30. At 8.50 Wacaday, Timmy Mallett's fun and games for younger viewers

6.30 BBC Breakfast News with

Nicholas Witchell and Laurie Mayer.
Includes regular news headlines,
business reports, sports news, travel,
and weather information, regional
news and a review of the morning
newspapers by Paul Calian 8.85.
Regional news and weather
S.30 News and weather followed by
Children's BBC, introduced by Simon
Parlon and Andi Peters, starting
with Defenders of the Earth.
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adventures 9.25 Why Don't You . ? 10.00 Out of This World. Children's

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Children's adventure series
incorporating entertaining ideas for
young people at a loose end.
9.50 Poddington Peas (r)
10.00 News and weather followed by
Matchpoint (r) 10.30 Playdays.
Simon Davis tells the story of The
Sleepy Owl
10.55 Five to Sleven, Easter readings
by Jeen Marsh
11.00 News and weather followed by
Open Air. Eamorn Holmes and Jayne
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6.00 Coefax 6.30 BBC Breakfast Nows with

News and weether followed by Deytime Live. Includes the second in the series seerching for locations that inspired Daphine du Maurier. Presented by Alan Titchmarsh and Judi Spiers 12.55 Regional news and weather

1.60 One O'Clock News with Philip Legion by Machbert

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1.30 Neighbours. (Ceetax) 1.50

Matchpoint. Angela Rippon hosts
another round of the doubles and
mixed doubles general knowledge

quiz game
2.15 The Lamon Drop Kid (1951, b/w)
starring Bob Hope, Hugely comic
tale based on a Damon Rumon
novel about an incompetent
racecourse tout who incurs the wrath of a gang leader and has to stump up some \$10,000 in a matter of days. With Marilyn Maxwell and Lloyd Noian. Directed by Sidney Larifield

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3.50 Rupert narrated by Ray Brooks
3.55 Mersey Takes. Mark McGann
with the story of Mr Prendergest's
Return, by Roy Apps (r) 4.00 Leared
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New Adventures of Mighty Mouse
4.20 Stanon and the Witch.
Episode six of the 13-part children's
seriel starring Elizabeth Spriggs
and Hugh Polland (r) 4.35 Tricky
Business. Magical comedy
series. Today's guest is Tim Bat
5.00 Newsround. News for younger
viewers 5.05 Blue Peter. With Diane
Louise Jordan, Yvette Fielding
and John Leslie. (Ceefax)
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5.00 Six O'Cleck News presented by
Anna Ford and Andrew Harvey.
Weather
5.30 Regional News Magazines
7.00 Top of the Pops presented by
Jakid Brambles
7.30 EastEnders. More dramas
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7.30 EastEnders. More dramas concerning the denizens of Albert Square. (Ceefax)
8.00 Tomorrow's World. Tonight's programme is devoted entirely to the Chernel Turnel, Europe's most ambitious civil engineering scheme. Judith Ham Investigates the safety precautions which are being installed, especially to prevent the risk of rabies. She also discovers what it will be like to ride through a tube underneath the sea.
8.30 Rises Abbot. More comedy from Dirk flandlebar-Moustache as he meets up with a cruel dentist (r).

meets up with a cruel dentist (r). 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. Regional news and weath 9.30 Birds of a Feather. A welcome repeat of the gritter. A wecking repeat of the gritter comedy drama starring Pauline Quirke and Linda Robson as sisters trying to adjust to a single life after the imprisonment of their criminal

10.00 Film: The Mission (1986) starring Robert De Niro and Jeremy Irons. jungle in the mid-18th century, with Oscar-winnian photographs Oscar-winning photography by Chris Menges, about a Jesuit missionary who falls foul of ruthless colonists and finds his life rumess colomists and most instine-among the hostile Guerani Indians threatened. With Ray McAnally and Ronald Pickup. Directed by Roland Joffe. (Ceefax)

12.00 Weather.
12.05am Ramadan: A Month To
Remember. Imam Shahid Raza visits
a mosque, the focal point of Muslim worship and the community... Ends at 12.20

younger viswers
9.25 Cross Wits. Tom O'Connor
presents the game show based on a
crossword 9.55 Thames News

comedy series about a teenage girl who inherits her alien father's edraordinary powers

10.30 This Morning. Magazine series
presented by Richard Madeley and
Judy Finnigan. With national and
international news at 10.55 and
regional news at 11.55 tolkowed
by national weather.

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12.10 The Riddlers. For the very young
12.30 Home and Away. Australian
drams series about a couple and their five loster children

1.00 News at One with Sue Carpenter,
Weather 1.20 Thames News and
weather

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1.30 Wish You Were Here . . ? John
Carter hitroduces this special
programme in which he looks at
the new trend towards long-haul
package trips. (Teletaxt) 2.00 A
Country Practice. Medical drama set
in a small Australian outback

3.00 Sounds Like Music. Bobby Crush
quizzes three more contestants with
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characters created by Enid Blyton.
On their first day at Spring
Cottage, Philip, Dinah, Jack and
Lucy-Ann learn of the dark history
of the castle across the valley. When
they search for for a path to the
castle, they are followed, but why and
by whom? Starring Susan
George, Gareth Hurt, Brian Blessed
and Isobel Black
5.10 Blockbusters. Teenagers' general
knowledge quiz
5.40 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather

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7.00 Emmerdale. Drama serial set in the picturesque Yorkshire Dales.

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(Teletext)
7.30 Sporting Triangles. This week the regular captains — Jimmy Greaves, Emtyn Hughes and Andy Gray — are joined by Merlene Ottey, Ellery Hanley and Ally McCoist
8.00 The Bill: Close Co-Operation.
Superior police drama series, well acted with believable story lines.
(Teletext) (Teletext) 8.30 This Week: Battle For Peace (see

Choice)

9.00 TECX: Dead End. Poor detective series set on the continent, with an obvious eye to European sales.

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10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and late Conservition Weather 10.30

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Thames News and weather
10.35 The City Programme. Will falling
tax revenue and the cost of the politics mean the end of Government buy-back of gitts?

11.05 01- For London. Includes reviews of the films Hunt For Red October,

or the terms mark not need Octaber, Mountains of the Moon and Roger and Me as well as an Asian production of Moliere's Tartuffe at the National. Followed by Crimestoppers
11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Australian soap set in a women's determion

centre
12.30 Contacts. Television version of
the small ads, in which viewers are given the opportunity to get in touch with each other

1.00 Speed Chess. The Infolink European Speed Chess championship

1.30 Film: Legitimate Violence (1982)
starring Claude Brasseur, Thierry
Linemate and Veronique Genest. Gripping French revenge thriller about a man who takes the law into his own hands after his family

are killed after being caught in the middle of a shoot-out. Directed by Serge Laroy. Followed by News headlines 3.30 Bedrock. Urlah Heep in concert 4.30 America's Top Ten (r) 5.00 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman, Ends at 6.00

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8.00 News 8.15 Westminater 9.00 Film: Copecabana (1947, b/w) starring Groucho Marx and Carmen starring Groucho Marx and Carmen Miranda. A seldom amusing musical about the complications that arise after a singer finds herself having to work hard at a top New York night spot when her boyfriend selfs her as two different acts. Directed by Alfred C. Green 10.30 World Snooker. Second round action from the Embassy World Professional championship at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield 1.20 PC Plokerton (r) 1.25 Animal Fair (r)

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1.35 World Snooker. Further coverage from Sheffield, Includes news and weather at 2.00
3.00 News and weather followed by Westminster Live
3.30 World Snooker from Sheffield

4.00 News, regional news and

weather
4.10 Hong Riff — A Westminster
Live Special
5.10 World Snocker. More coverage
from Sheffield.
6.00 Film: Interlude (1957) starring
June Allyson and Rossano Brazzi.
Sentimental drama, a remake of
When Tomorrow Comes, about an
American woman in Surgose with

When Tomorrow Comes, about an American woman in Europe who talls for a married conductor whose wife will not accept the situation.

Directed by Douglas Sirk

7.39 9 is 5. Are trade unions making a comeback after the restrictions on their activities during the early Thatcher years?

8.00 Yes, Minister. A welcome repeat of the percipient comedy series set in Whitehall's corridors of power. (Ceefax)

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Natura. Nichael Buerk presents a report into what has happened, environmentally, to the world in the last two decades, focusing mainly on population expansion
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10.10 Mistero Buffo: The Marriage Fast at Cana. The third of the Borderine Theatre's production of Derio Fo's comic history of religion with Robbie Coltrane once again

with robbie Contrale once aga playing all the parts 10.30 Newshight 11.15 Weather 11.20 World Snooker. Continued coverage of the second round matches, introduced by David Vine. Ends at 1.30am

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8.00 The Art of Landscepe. A soothing combination of peeceful music and stuming landscapes
8.30 The Channel Four Daily
9.25 Fathers of Pop. The late art critic, Reyner Banham, examines the rebels of the 1950s British arts scene
10.20 Animation on 4. Two Castles
10.25 Film: The West Way Out (1955). An animated Italian perody of the Hollywood western. Directed by

12.00 The Child's Eye. A look at the use of animal illustration in children's

iterature (r)

12.30 Susiness Delity

1.00 Sesame Street

2.00 A Full Life. Robert Maxwell
discusses his early life with Jill
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Cochrane (r)
2-30 Channel 4 Racing from
Newmarket. The 2-35, 3-10, 3-40 and

been influenced by changing conventions

S.30 Kate & Alije. Patchy domestic comedy starring Jane Curtin and Susan Saint James (r)

7.00 Channel 4 News with Nicholas Owen and Zeinab Badawi

7.50 Comment followed by Weather

8.00 Greek Fire: Tragedy. The Ideas of Ancient Greece still influence modern-day societies. Tonight's programme looks at how people react to tragedies and asks whether up-to-date technology could numb our ability to sympathize with human suffering

8.30 The Crystal Meze. Game show involving a series of cerebral and physical challenges

9.30 Film: A Month in the Country (1987) (see Choice)

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11.20 Film: Winge (1966, b/w) starring
Maya Bulgakova. Drama about a
Russian schoolmistress finding it
difficult to adjust to civilian life after
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three Norwegians who headed for
the North Pole on snow secoters (r)
5.30 Animation on 4. Upside Down:
The House, Magic Paintbox: The
Thames and Inspiration
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SKY ONE

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Another World 12.50pm As The World
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for the Gobots 3.45 Super Chicken and
Tom Slick 4.00 The Adventures of Gulliver
4.30 The New Leave It To Beaver 5.00
Sky Star Search 6.00 The New Price is
Right 6.30 Sale of the Century 7.00
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SKY NEWS

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Today 3.15 PM's Question Time Live 3.30
Parliament Live 4.30 NBC Today 5.00
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Reporters 8.30 The FBI 9.30 Target
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3.30 The FBI 4.30 Beyond 2000

SKY MOVIES

From 8.00am The Shopping Channel

All films will be scrambled

2.00pm Anne of Avonlea — Part One A
two-part sequel to Anne of Green Gables

4.00 Scooby Doo and the Ghoul School:
Animated adventure

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8.00 Empire of the Sun (1988): Charts a young boy's experiences during the Second World War 10.30 The Holcroft Covenant (1985): No8i Holcroft (Michael Caine) sets out to prevent his father's legacy from being used to resurrect the Third Reich 12.15em Freddy's Nightmares (1989): With Robert Englund as Freddy Krueger 2.15 Vamp (1986): Three College kids discover a nest of urban vamoires discover a nest of urban vampires
4.00 The Deer Hunter — Part One
(1978): The fortunes of three Pennsylvanian steelworkers before, during and after the Vietnam War. Ends at **5.30am** 

**EUROSPORT** 

5.00am As Sky One 8.30 Circus World Championships 9.00 Trans World Sport 16.00 Football 12.00 Boxing 2.00pm Fourth Formal 12200 Boxing 2000pm Equestrianism 3.00 Adventure hour 4.00 lee Hockey: Canada v USA 6.00 Mobil 1 Motor Sport News 6.30 Trax 7.00 World Cup Football Preview 6.00 Basketball 10.00 lee Hockey: USSR v USA 12.00 Australian Rules Football

6.00am Kristiane Backer 11.00
Remote Control 11.30 Club MTV 12.00
Saturday Night Live 12.30pm MTV
Spotlight 1.00 Afternoon Mix 3.00 The Phil
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1 4.15 Afternoon Mix 4.30 Coca-Cola
Report 4.45 Afternoon Mix 5.30 MTV's
Greatest Hits 6.30 The Big Picture 7.00
Saturday Night Live 7.30 Club MTV
8.00 MTV Spotlight 8.30 Headbangers Ball
10.00 Coca-Cola Report 10.15 Maiken
Wexo 1.00am Videos

SCREENSPORT

7.00am ice Hockey 9.00 Powersports
10.00 Golf 12.00 Pro Box 1.30pm US Pro
Ski tour 2.15 Spain Spain Sport 2.30
Wide World of Sport 4.00 Spanish Football
Highlights 4.30 Baseball 6.00 Rugby
League 7.30 Argentinian Football 8.30
Rallycross 9.30 Pro Bowlers Spring
Tour: 14 10.45 Ice Hockey

LIFESTYLE

10.00am Fitness Minute 10.01 Search For Tomorrow 10.30 We're Cooking Now 10.50 Spain Spain Cookery 11.00 Coffee Break 11.10 The Edge of Night 11.35 Great American Gameshows 12.50pm Style File 12.55 Sally Jessy Raphael 1.45 The Rich Also Cry 2.40 Search for Tomorrow 3.05 Tea Break 3.15 Cinema 4.40 Great American Gameshows 6.00 The Self-a-Vision Shopping Channel

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#### RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW
News on the half-hour from
5.30am until 4.30pm, then at
7.30, 8.30 and 10.00pm
7.30, 8.30 and 10.00pm
8.30 Simon Bates
12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45
Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright in
the Attention 5.30 News 90
6.00 Mark Goodier 7.00 Top of
the Pops (with BBC1) 7.30
Philip Scholieid 8.30 John Post
10.00 Nicky Campbell 12.00-10.00 Nicky Campbell 12.09-2.00am Richard Skinner

RADIO 2

FM Stereo News on the hour Headlines **5.30a**m Headines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 4.00am Steve Madden 5.30 David Allan 7.30 Chris Stuart 9.30 Judith Chelmers 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pm David Jacobs 2.00 Gloris Hurriford 4.00 Bob Holness 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 The News Huddines 7.30 Wally Whyton 9.00 Paul Jones 9.40 Heroes 10.00 Ken Bruce 12.05am Jazz Parade 12.30 Myself when Young with Nerys Hughes 1.00-4.00 Nightride

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GRIT. Add an hour for BST. 5.00am World News 5.00 24 Hours 5.30 Londres Matin 5.58 Weather 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Children of the ke 6.40 5.00am World News 5.39 Are rous 3.30 Londres Matin 5.59 Weather 6.00 Newschesk 8.30 Children of the loe 6.40 The Farming World 7.00 World News 7.09 World News 7.92 Write On 7.45 Network UK 8.00 World News 8.09 World News 8.09 World News 8.09 World News 8.09 World News 8.00 World News 8.00 World News 8.00 World News 8.00 Hash Press 9.15 The World Today 8.30 Financial News; Sports Roundup 5.45 Society Today 10.07 Assignment 10.30 Mold Magazine 10.59 Travel News 11.00 World News 10.07 House 11.00 World News 10.00 House 11.00 World News 10.00 Children of the loe 7.40 The Farming World 8.00 World News 8.00 The World Today 8.50 Mertiden 9.01 Sports Roundup 9.15 Seven Sees 9.30 Children of the loe 7.40 The Farming World 8.00 World News 8.00 The World Today 8.50 Mertiden 9.01 World News 10.00 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.05 Commentery 11.00 World News 11.05 Commentery 11.00 World News 11.05 Commentery 11.00 World News 11.55 Received 12.00 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.55 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.05 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.55 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.05 Commentery 11.00 Worl RADIO 3

6.55am Weather and News Headlines 7.00 Morning Concert: Beethoven (14 Variations, Op 44: Itzhak Perimen, violin, Lynn Harrell, cello, ytoen, Lynn Tearrest, con-Vladimir Ashkenazy, pieno); Vaughan Williams (English Folk Song Sulte: Academy of St Martin-In-the-Fields under Neville Marriner)

7.35 News 7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Purcell (Suite from Abdelazer: Parley of Instruments under Holmen); Tohalkovsky (Suite No 2: USSR Academic Symphony Orchestra under Yevgeny

Orchestra Under Tevgen,
Svetlanov)
8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Weelc
Rubbra and Moeran.
Rubbra (Symphony No 7:
London Philharmonic
Orchestra under Adrian
Boull); Moeran (Sinfonieto
Bournemouth Sinfonieto
Bournemouth Sinfonietta under Norman Del Mar) 9.35 Liszt, arr Liszt: Peter Noke and Helen Krizos, two

pianos, perform Les
pianos, perform Les
Prétides; Mezeppa (r)
10.10 Strings and Wind: Howells
(Phapsodic Quintet for two
violins, viola, cello and
clarinet: Richards Ensemble,
with Thea King, clarinet);
Malcolm Arnold (Duo for Malcolm Arnold (Duo for fute and viola: Judith
Pearce, flute, Roger Chase, viola): Bax (Obbe Quintet: Engish String Quartet, with Sarah Francis, oboe)

11.06 Dum sacrum mysterium:
BBC Singers under Harry Christophers perform

Robert Carver's Ten-part 11.40 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under Owain Arwel Hughes, led by Jacqueline Hartley, with John Waltace, trumpet. performs Beethoven (Symphony No 1 in C); Haydn (Trumpet Concerto in Etiat); Elgar (Enigma Variations)

1.00pm News 1.05 Birmingham Lunchtime Concert: The Four Seas Consort performs a and England, including works by Byrd, Gibbons, Tomkins, Washes, lannequin and Le Jeune

Live from St Paul's Church, Hockley. The Amaryllis programme of Renaissance choral music from France 2.00 Langham Chamber Orchestra under Jiff Sterek Orchestra under an Saren, led by Christopher Hirons, performs Mozait. (Symphony No 13 in F. K. 112; Milhaud (Symphonietta for strings); J.A.F. Mica. (Symphony in E flet)

2.50 Ian Munro: The planist performs Bartok (Suite, Out of Doors); Fauré (Theme and Variations, Op 73); Chopin (Ballade No 3 in A flet) (r)
3.30 Mainly for Brass: Members
of the BBC Scottish SO

of the BBC Scottish SO perform Michael Nortis (Requiem for Brass): Martin Daiby (Almost a Madrigal: under Glyn Bragg).

4.00 La vita nuova: Frankfurt Vocal Ensemble; Limburg Cathedral Boys' Choir; Frankfurt RSO under Eishu lubel, with Ruth Zirsack, soprano, Bjorn Waag, baritone, perform Wolf-Ferrari's cantata based on Ferrari's canteta based on Dente's first great work
5.30 Mainty for Pleasure with
Michael Berkeley

7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: Jeremy Issaecs, general director of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, talks to Nichotas Kenyon does future plans 7.30 BBC Philhermonic under Edward Downes, with Alexander Ballie, cello, Litian Watson, soprano,

between East and West in the year the celebration of Easter coincides in both

9.30 Young Benjamin Franklin: Science and Self-Improvement. Franklin describes his work as an amateur scientist and the strict moral code by which he determined to live his life. Final extract 9.50 Music in Our Time: Brass and Voices. Introduced by Duncan Druce. Salford College Brass Band under Elgar Howarth; Endymion Ensemble; BBC Singers under Simon Joly perform Harrison Birtwisde

performs Walton (Cello Concerto); Mahier (Symphony No 4) (r) Easter in Byzantine Rome: Fr Philip Steer challenges customary views about the division in Christian cultures

parts of the world. Ensemble Organum under Marcel Peres perform eighth-century chants for the Easter season. Although sung in Rome, these pieces have Greek texts and belong to the world of Byzantine music

RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM
5.55ams Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing; Weather
6.10 Farming Today 6.25
Prayer for the Day (s) 6.30
Today, incl 6.30, 7.90,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News
6.55, 7.55 Weather 8.35
Yesterday in Parliament
8.57 Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Puriters: An opportunity for listeners to report on life's problems, injustices and quirts. With Susan Marling
9.45 The Lady in the Van (new treatment)

Programme 10.45 An Act of Worship (s) 11.00 News; Citizens (s) 11.25 Conversation Piece: Sue MacGregor meets Bert Massie, the director of RADAR, the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation by first-time broadcasters. Alma Rosser remembers

cottage with a baby dying of 12.00 News; You and Yours 12.25cm Lord Poter Wiener en Lord Peter Wimsey: The Inpleasantness at the Unpleasantness at the Bettona Club. A six-part dramatization of Dorothy L. Sayers's mystery (3) (r)

Includes a feature on feachers and stress, an interview with Ens Chamberlain, whose autobiography recalls her childhood in London during the 1920s and 1930s; Hungarian feminist Enico Bollogas talks about the

the sea is at its most alluring . . . and the girls are almost tree. With Alice Arnold as the Doctor and

quiries. With Susan Marling
9.45 The Lady in the Van (new series): Alan Bennett recalls how an old lady took up residence on his drive for 15 years. The first of four talks
19.00 News; The Natural History

and Rehabilitation 11.50 First Person: Series of talks her experience 30 years ago when she was snowbound in a remote

12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecst 2.00 News; Woman's Hour:

(Grimethorpe aria); Duncan Campanorpe ana; Dutasa Druce (Campanella Madrgals — first UK broadcast); Harrison Birtwistle (Salford Toccate — first broadcast) 11.00 Composers of the Week: Mozart — The Path to the Requiem (r) 12.00 News 12.05am Close

councys tams about the changes taking place for women in her country; and a discussion on the excess packaging used for food and goods

3.50 News; The Nets: Drametization of Shealach Kanelli's story. In a Greek village on a hot affarnoon,

4.00 News
4.05 Bookshelf: Frank Muir talks about The Oxford Book of Hunarous Prose, the problems of researching and plotting thrillers is discussed by Frederick Forsyth and other thriller unities: and blind Fords writers; and Nigel Forde talks to Tanzanian writer Abdulrazak Gumah about his latest novel. Dotte

4.35 Kaleidoscope (s) (r) 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report
6.30 And Now, in Colour ...:
Comedy with Tim Firth, Tim de Jorgh, Michael Rutger and William Vandyck (5) (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Public Affairs; Part 2:
Crichel Down: Grounds for Resignation? (s) (see Choice)
8.00 The Lost Leader: John Cole, political editor of the SISC.

political editor of the BBC, traces the political career of Edward Heath, who was elected an MP 40 years ago, became Prime Minister 20 years ago and five years later lost the Tory leadership to Mrs Thatcher. Contributors include Norman Tebbit, MP, and

Henry Kissinger
8.45 Does He Take Sugar? Kati
Whitaker presents the
magazine for people with
disabilities
9.15 Kaleidoscope: Includes reviews of Not Fade Away at the Theatre Royal Stration East: The Great British Art Show III at the McLellan Gallery. Glasgow; and a feature on measuring the voices of opera singers

9,45 The Financial World Tonight with Roger White 9.59
Weather
10.00 The World Tonight with
Richard Kershaw (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: In the Red Kitchen, by Michèle Roberts (8 of 10) 11.00 Dan Dane (new series): Pilot of the Future, Part 1: Disester . . . Dramatization by Nick McCarry, With Mick Earl es Dan Dare (see

Ford as Dan Dare (see Choice)

11.33 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.30am News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping

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Forecast

RADIO CHOICE)

Peter Davalle With Dan Dare: Pilot of the Future (Radio 4, 11.00pm), Eagle has landed on radio. And about time too. Why should Batman and Superman have for so long enjoyed extra-magazine status (albeit on screen) and not Dan Dare?



Dan Dare: manua from

keep the British comic strip subservient to the American? Another question will suggest itself to you as you tune in to episode one of Dan Dare and watch the hands of the clock creeping towards midnight Why is this magnificently ludicrous serial - manna from Heaven for every space fiction addict who prefers Eagle to Asimov - aimed at insomniacs? A repeat broadcast is mandatory, for the young in years and the young in heart. Had it not been for the clew of thread which, Ariadne-like

spair. It wasn't easy for The-

seus, either.

Heaven (Radio 4, 11.00pm) once a decade. You'll see many of the world's rarest Saturday 5 May to Saturday 12 May 10am to 6pm.

David Wheeler offers in his linking of Public Affairs (Radio 4, 7.20pm), I'm not sure I would have found my way out of this Crichel Down labyrinth. Forty minutes just isn't long enough to uncoil all the convolutions of the 1950s "nationalization by the backdoor" scandal that brought down a Cabinet minister. My advice to you if you think you are beginning to lose the thread tonight is: don't de-

Something very special is happening at the Palace -

Alexandra Palace. The world's greatest, philatelic Thursday 3 May 12 noon to 8pm. Friday 4 May 10am to 6pm. exhibition - Stamp World Landon 90 - is in London only Admission ES; Senior citizens and children 16 and under E3

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stamps: Celebrate the 158th birthday of the world's Sunday 13 May 10 am to 5 pm. first postage stamp, the Penny Black. You can admire Admission £3; Senior citizens and children 16 and under £2.

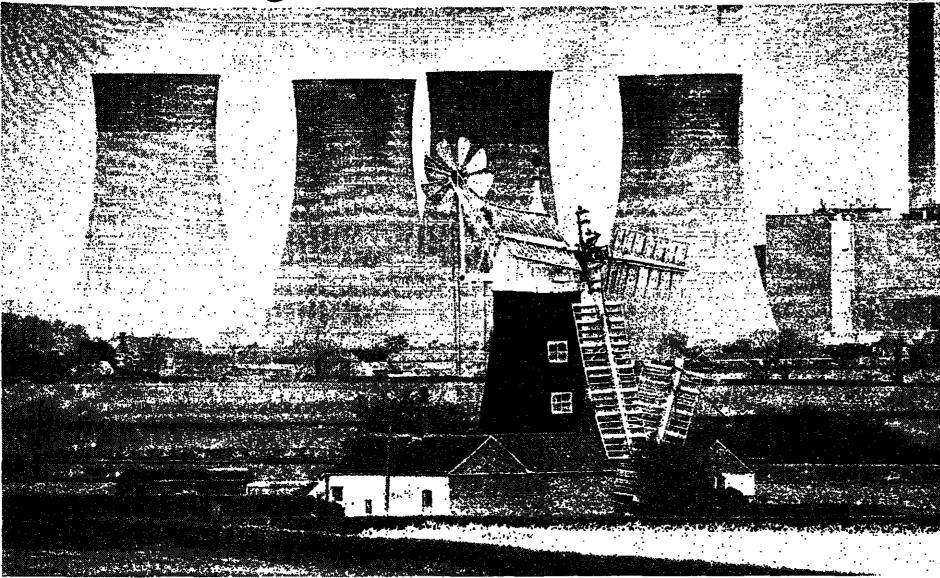
gems from the Royal Collection, graciously lent by

to be had at The Palace - it's only once a decade:

Season ticket £25 Frequent free bus service throughout the day from Wood Green Underground (Piccadilly Line). Free car parking.

PLUS! Stamp Lond - The altimate free exhibition for children.

Storm damage makes windmill grind to a halt



A 20 ft, one-tonne sail of the 160-year-old windmill at North Leverton, near Retford, Nottinghamshire, languishing on a grain store roof where it crashed down during storms over Easter. Mr Keith Barlow, the miller, was explaining the workings of the machinery to a party of 20 visitors when the accident happened, and said it was lucky that no one was injured. He has launched a £10,000 restoration appeal for the mill, which has as a contrasting backdrop a newer energy source — the West Burton power station

# Guides and Brownies only too prepared to don designer gear

PROPELLED into the Brownies by a well-meaning mother in the late 1960s, the skimpy thin brown cotton dress, hideous though it was, initially seemed preferable to the bellbottom trousers my classmates were donning.

We Brownies, officially called Brownie Guides and part of the Guide movement, faced a weekly crisis over commands from Brown Owl to "lend a hand", "do our best" and "hop, skip and jump" in games of tag.

It was impossible to do any of these or other tasks without splitting the cheap mudbrown cotton dress up the sides. As we sat in our small hall in a Staffordshire village, sewing on the badges which testified to our ability to light woggles and whistles.

The launch vesterday by the Girl Guides Association of Guides, Guides, Rangers and Adult Guides has been hailed

movement and its members. formal occasions, camping The new style was modelled and social events. Brownies by 120 Girl Guides, Brownies and Rangers.

Ten thousand Guides and Brownies had been polled for their suggestions, and fashion pundits and guide leaders who watched the fashion show at Central Hall in Westminster forecast that the new uniform would indeed help Guides be more adventurous and compete better with the Scout Association, which recently opened its tents to females.

The Girl Guides, who are seeking more adult volunteers, should now be able to attract more of the legions of Brownies who were put off, as I was, by their first sight of their elder sisters en masse.

and knee-length white socks, looking for all the world like traffic wardens, was enough to send my sister and I galloping to the nearest pony club.

Guides and Brownies can

will be free at last of the

dreadful brown woollen bobble hat, the universally hated brown knitted cardigan and the yellow crossover tie. Instead, the designer Jeff Banks, who has created the

uniforms at no charge, has toned down the colour to a khaki "forest brown" and introduced sweatshirts and tshirts in "sunshine yellow". Guides stay in blue, but can

break out into sweat pants, polo shirts, t-shirts and trousers. Rangers will be in aquamarine and navy in place of their former insipid blues. Miss Emma Wright, aged

eight, of the 2nd Worplesdon Brownie Pack near Guildford, Division of rows of Guides Surrey, one of the models at fires and set tables, we were at a raily, in navy blue rayon, yesterday's launch, commentcubs and scouts with their flattering skirts above the knee But I still think we should be called Brownies and not 'yellowies'." Princess Margaret, Presi-

dent of the Girl Guides Association, attended the launch in London yesterday of as a breakthrough for the now have stylish uniforms for the uniforms, wearing her own

(Liz Smith writes).

Mr Banks, who founded the Warehouse chain and presents BBC Television's Clothes Show, commented on his design role: "I felt this brief was a goodie. It is a privilege and a pleasure to be involved with the Girl Guide movement."

He used the programme to canvass suggestions from Guides. It was clear they hated the dress and the brown woolly hat but liked the belt. "Working through box-loads of drawings, I got the drift of

### Race and sex law to extend to Bar

RARRISTERS are to be subject to the race relations and sex discrimination laws in their professional work under proposals announced yes- ing the Bill's second reading terday by Sir Patrick Mayhew, debate that the change would the Attorney General (Richard Ford writes).

The move is intended to eliminate discrimination and encourage a wider spread throughout chambers of black barristers, tending to be new sets. It is also intended to prevent chambers discriminating against black lawyers seeking pupillages.

Sir Patrick said that amendments making barristers sub-

ject to the legislation would be introduced to the Courts and Legal Services Bill in the Commons. He told MPs during the Bill's second reading cover discrimination in professional relationships at the Bar and between barristers

and persons instructing them. The Government is also to introduce an amendment accepting that solicitor advocates should be bound by encourage white solicitors to the general thrust of the cab-go to black barristers and to rank principle obliging barthe general thrust of the cabristers to accept any case brought to them.

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#### Political Sketch

### Discovering the Mace's menace

drical cross-section and sharp asked to export. at one end. You have one on the mantelpiece at home, no

But viewed - if you cared component in a weapon of mass destruction bound for the murderous Iraqı regime, the Mace took on a different aspect. It lay beneath us now, immobilized, silent on its cradle, seeming to shimmer in the television lights ... An

Then I looked down at the tall, stooped man, standing stability!" next to it at the Dispatch Box. Another enigma?

Nothing unusual, of course, at first glance. Slightly crumpled looking — but he always is — squinting at his brief and reading a text marked Oral Statement By Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. then Ridley seldom cares to

wiches. Tubes for the "polymerisation of polyethylene" could be expected to discomfort such a speaker. Anyway, this was surely just an efficient Customs swoop, whipped up by the press into a tiresome storm.

"I don't know what the Labour Party are making all the fuss about" snapped Ridley. "This has been a successful operation by Customs."

Viewed, however, as an accident-prone Industry Secretary floundering badly as it ment had been duped by the Iragis, had failed to heed warnings from the manufacturers themselves, and had failed even to back up their fellow civil servants at Customs and Excise - an Industry Secretary who had needed an Israeli Intelligence Service tip-off before be woke up to what was going on ... viewed thus, Mr Ridley seemed the epicentre of a small but embarrassing pol-"As I, personally," boomed

ENTERING the Commons Sir Hal Miller (C. Bromspress gallery yesterday, I grove), "over two years ago. stared down at the Mace. An made to your Department innocent enough implement, — and Miller explained I thought Purely ornamental how one of the companies Or was it? Viewed as a concerned had tried (through mace it was - well, a mace: him) to interest the Governgold, four feet long, of cylin-ment in what they were being

"Every riff-raff country". said Jeff Rooker (Lab. Birmingham, Perry Bar), was looking for weapons. Ridley so to view it - as a key had not exercized the nec-

essary vigilance. Finally I looked down at Mr Ridley's Labour Shadow. Gordon Brown, waving his arms and castigating

"... Slackness and complacency of almost criminal dimensions ... Could affect regional stability ... world

Par for the course, I thought the usual hot air. "Over the top," retorted Ridley. Exactly.
Or was it? Through our

brains flashed confusing images: eight huge steel lubes impounded, 44 already in Iraq; a large-calibre ar-mament, albeit of a scale Export Controls (Iraq). He outside anything previously seemed to be stumbling, but experienced." Ridley had said - "which may be used for hostile purposes," Brown He is quite capable of had hazarded, his laser-like floundering hopelessly intellect going straight to through an order for two target; Mossad, the Israeli rounds of tomato sand- Intelligence Service, in secret had hazarded, his laser-like contact with HM Customs: the late Dr Gerard Bull of Space Research Corporation" with a bullet in his back in Brussels; in London, an elderly gentleman at the Dispatch Box stumbling over his answers and fumbling anxiously with his glasses ... civil servants peering, concerned, from their oaken box.

Around the room, black camera emplacements whirred discreetly as the machines raked across the Chamber. A strange fellow in emerged that his own Depart- a white wig sat impassive on a curious green throne with a four-poster canopy above him, like a camouflaged rocket launcher. Microphones on thin wires dangled in the air, everywhere.

Above, eight vast white mushrooms, illuminated from within by a brilliant, acid-white light, hung suspended. They were (we have been assured) television Or were they?

Matthew Parris

### **Backbench rebellion fading over Hong Kong passports**

ing the Bill on the ground that it is elitist and divisive.

Mr David Waddington, the Home Secretary, will open for the Government, and Mr

Persuasion by the Government whips over the Easter recess and yesterday appeared last night to have whittled down considerably the figure

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WEATHER

**ABROAD** 

Government

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> Limited response, page 9 John Walden, page 12 Leading article, page 13 Letters, page 13

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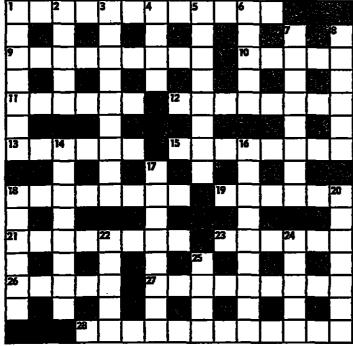
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- 24 Pilot's exciting life on river (5). 25 Indians one associates with dance (4).

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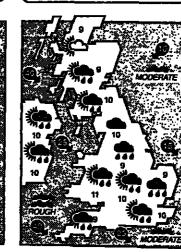
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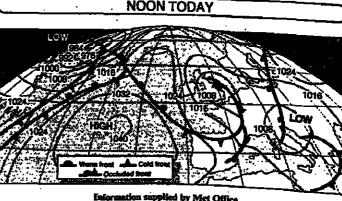
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**Executive Editor** David Brewerton

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USM (Datastream) 139.25 (-0.92) Market report, page 28

#### Extra time won by Hoylake

AXA-MIDI Assurances and won two rounds in the battle for extra time to regroup their attack on BAT Industries and Farmers, its US insurance group. Texas and Oregon insurance regulators have allowed them up to two months to modify their offers.

The changes will be de-signed to head off objections which prompted California to reject both companies as owners of Farmers last week. BAT has lodged objections to all the requests for more time.

#### Paper group, page 26 Trans World up

(formerly the Miss World Group) reports pre-tax. profits of £4.56 million (£2.53 million) on a turnover of £12.7 million (£8.41 million) for 1989. A final dividend of 8p makes 12p (10p).

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# Rise in labour costs points to stagflation

By Colin Narbrough, Economics Correspondent

A FRESH jump in unit demands have not been to January period. In value abour costs as output in moderated and average earn-terms, average weekly sales labour costs as output in manufacturing industry suffered an unexpected fall fed fears that the economy is entering a period of stagilation sharply rising inflation and stagnant growth.

Official data showed a seasonally adjusted annual rise of 6.8 per cent in wages per unit of manufacturing output in the three months to February, up from 6.3 per cent

Productivity growth slowed to 1.2 per cent from 1.8 per

Factory output in the three would have to study carefully months to February was 0.3 the option of raising interest per cent down on the previous three months, partially due to labour disputes in the car and aerospace industries, but was 1.1 per cent above the same

Though the output figures, and preliminary data showing retail sales failing 1.4 per cent between February and March, provided more evidence that high interest rates have slowed the economy, rising unit labour costs confirm persistent inflationary pressures the

The Government has repeatedly stressed the importance of bringing unit wage growth into line with those abroad, if unemployment is not to start rising again as counter-inflationary policy

brakes the economy. The number of jobs in manufacturing, which has been falling for some time, dropped by another 16,000 March sales were a little above the average of the November

six years

From Martin Fletcher

THE US trade deficit fell to its

lowest monthly level in six

years in February, the Com-

The shortfall narrowed by

ary, comfortably exceeding

chief White House economic

situation in the US trade

picture has been improving

He stressed the particularly

sharp impovement in trade

with Japan, with which the US has an annual deficit of \$49

billion. The shortfall had

fallen 27 per cent in the first

two months of this year,

compared to last, he said

Exports had soared by 24 per

cent, and imports fallen by 4

lost by incumbents and the new Channel

3 operators will be less profitable than existing ITV stations, the report said.

Far from being a "licence to print money," the new Channel 3 franchises,

which come into operation in 1993, will

suffer financially in three different areas paying the independent Television

Commission a percentage of their net advertising revenue, the cash hid for

for some time."

billion fall.

merce Department said.

terms, average weekly sales were running at £2.30 billion

mes climbed to 9.5 per cent in of economic research at NatWest Capital Markets, saw

stagilation and "scary infla-tion numbers" in the latest the Government had not dampened inflation expec-

There is absolutely no credibility in its declared policy of bearing down on infla-tion, he said. Given the prospect of

higher West German and Japanese interest rates, he expected the Government would have to study carefully rates, rather than face further sterling depreciation.

Mr Bill Martin, chief economist at UBS Phillips & Drew, tion that 1990 is a "write-off" for the Government, with a mild recession and headline inflation stuck at about an annual 8 to 9 per cent.
As companies started to feel

the pain and shed labour, he expected the focus to switch to making the consumer undertake the necessary adjustment. The drop in retail sales last

month after a 2.2 per cent rise sales across the board and painted much the same pic-ture as that given in the latest Confederation of British Industry survey - the Christmas "boomlet" was over. The City had expected a fall of 0.9 per

fice pointed out, however, that

# THF seeks Moscow deal cash



A salute in London yesterday for a buoyant Rocco Forte, who is setting his sights on Moscow and Warsaw

TRUSTHOUSE Forte is seeking fresh finance for its planned flagship hotel in Moscow, overlooking the Kremlin, after an earlier financing deal cent in February, after an 0.5 fell through because of the tightening economic climate, said the chief executive, Mr Rocco Forte (Martin Waller

> profits of £291 million in the 15 months to end-January from THF, which has shifted its year-end date. The group made £260 million before tax in the 12 months to end-January and £232 million in the previously reported financial year, to end-October 1988.

THF is paying a final dividend of 7.16p on July 2, making a total for the year of 8.4p (9.66p). In addition, shareholders were paid a 1p special dividend with the in-

year-end date.

Mr Forte said a partial property revaluation, the first in a three-year cycle, threw up a surplus of £384 million, with net assets per share rising from 287p to 345p. This compared with a price in the market 7p lower at 254p yesterday.

In Moscow, THF was preparing to refurbish an old shell dating from Czarist days, the Hotel Bucharest on an island opposite the Kremlin, in a joint venture with the local soviet, and had already signed a protocol agreement. Also, plans to refurbish the Bristol Hotel in Warsaw were 'close to coming to fruition",

"Dealing with any of these countries is a very long-winded affair. There's huge in new share capital and a demand for the right kind of maximum of £15 million in

terim to reflect the changing hotel accommodation in those borrowings, and government cities." THF is still negotiat- grants are available in some ing a joint venture with Eni. the Italian state energy corporation which runs the

> tions from Italy that the deal was virtually concluded. Analysts believe Continental Europe, which pro-vided only 13 per cent of trading profits in the year to end-January, is where THF

Agip chain of hotels, said Mr

Forte. He played down sugges-

must concentrate its efforts in To that end the group has signed a partnership deal with Repsol, the state-owned Spanish petrol retail chain, to build 100 of its Travelodge and Little Chef outlets in Spain

areas to cover as much as 70 per cent of the building cost.

THF encountered difficult trading in its provincial hotels in this country in the second half. "Our reaction may have been a little slow in adjusting to the sales slowdown," said Mr Forte.

There has been little progress on the Savoy front since the outbreak of peace between THF and the luxury hotel chain late last year. "It's early days yet - we've just got on to the board and we're being very polite to each other," said Mr Forte. "I don't scheme in the short term, but who knows a few miles down

### US deficit Industry statistics lowest for 'disaster' blamed on Government

last month, after £2.28 billion

in February and £2.27 billion

While some economists re-

main to be convinced about the curbing of the consumer as

average earnings rise, the out-

close to recession. CSO state isticians said the underlying

trend in manufacturing was flat, probably still rising a

Data for the production industries, distorted by bad

weather that affected energy

output, showed a 1.2 per cent

fall in output in the latest three

months. Compared with the

same period last year, output

In the production in-

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turing was 0.4 per cent follow-

ing an 0.1 per cent January

economy saw a seasonally-adjusted annual fall of 0.3 per

cent in the final quarter of last

year, against an 0.5 per cent

drop in the previous quarter,

unit wage costs rose at an

annual 9 per cent after 10.2

costs rose at an annual 7.2 per

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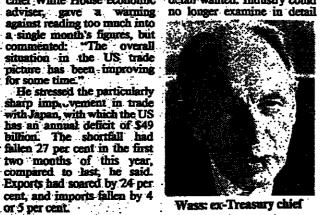
was up only 0.6 per cent.

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

30.4 per cent to a seasonally adjusted \$6.49 billion from a seminar organized by the Statistics Users' Council yesrevised \$9.32 billion in Januterday under the chairmanship of Sir Douglas Wass, the market expectations of a \$2.2 former Treasury Permanent

Imports fell sharply, from \$41.26 billion in January to \$38.12 billion, with sharply reduced oil imports account-According to Mr Ian Maclean, the chairman of the council, those attending the seminar agreed that the present position was a disaster ing for about \$1.2 billion of that fall. Freezing weather in December caused a surge in and would weaken the comoil imports in January.

Exports, meanwhile, fell only marginally to \$31.63 billion, a drop of just 1 per petitive capacity of British companies." Mr Maclean said Britain was now the only major industrialized country cent on January's record level.
Mr. Michael Boskin, the which did not collect production statistics at the level of



STRONG criticism of the the level of import penetra-Government's cut in the tion, export performance, collection of detailed indusproductivity, market share trial statistics was made at a and home demand.

As part of the reforms which followed the Pickford report, the Department of Trade and Industry last year cut back on short-term dis-aggregated production statistics. A survey earlier this year suggested that some companies would be prepared to pay for their collection themselves.

A spokesman for the Central Statistical Office said yes-terday: "Obviously we will take an interest in what the Statistics Users' Council has to say. The Government has to strike a balance between the desirability of statistics and detail wanted. Industry could the burden on business of

collecting them." Mr John Major, the Chan-cellor, recently asked Sir Jack Hibbert, the CSO's director, for a report on measures of growth in demand in 1987-88. which failed to give early warning of the present diffi-culties of the economy. Though this is not likely to statistics of which the council is complaining, it could be the occasion for a wider-ranging look at policy on statistics. About 70 trade associations and companies attended the

#### Bank tries to buy in **B&C** stake By Angela Mackay

merchant bank, is trying to buy in 10.4 per cent of its shares held by British & Commonwealth, the troubled financial services group which has said it will write off £550 million on Atlantic Computers, its computer leasing

Singer & Friedlander said it approached B&C six months ago and had held intermittent talks since then.

B&C's shares were suspended at 53p, implying a market worth of about £200 million for the entire group. Sir Peter Thompson, the chairman, said the company must raise £750 million from asset sales by mid-1991 to

satisfy bankers.

B&C has put its two banks up for sale and announced it is looking for buyers for the property business Last month, the company

sold Gartmore, the fund manager, for £130 million At yesterday's closing price of 60p, B&C's stake in Singer & Friedlander is worth about

£13.7 million Price Waterhouse, the accountant, has been appointed administrator to two of the subsidiaries of Atlantic Computers, the company which B&C placed in the hands of an administrator also Price Waterhouse - on

Tuesday. Mr Nick Kennedy Scott, Atlantic's former chairman, resigned from the boards of Atlantic and B&C last month, and Mr David McCormick, chief executive of Atlantic, was suspended on March 28.

#### L&G may sell Saatchi HQ LEGAL & General, the in- pany. Existing leases would downe House is the sort of surance company, is in talks to continue.

Saatchi, the advertising achieved rents of £64 a sq ft. agency.

But much of the 150,000 sq ft more than £220 million. building has now been sub-let, first to Glaxo, the drug company, and then to AT&T, the American telephone commore than £9 million. Lands-

sell its West End property
flagship, Landsdowne House,
in Berkeley Square, London,
the headquarters of Saatchi & property market, have

Saatchi the advertising property market, have

While confirming that talks Landsdowne House was were taking place, L&G re-completed in 1988 and let at fused to comment on reports fused to comment on reports the then record rent of £62.50 that the building was to be a sq ft to Saatchi & Saatchi sold to Japanese interests for

modern building that would capitals.

While the Japanese would be firm favourites to buy the British building, American investors have also shown an interest in such buildings.

Prudential Insurance of Such a price would indicate America launched a \$2 billion

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# TV now no licence to print money

Analysts say franchise holders may find bids hazardous

By Richard Evans Media Editor their franchise, and the decline in Channel 3's share of advertising caused by new terrestial and satellite TV

BOOM times are far from guaranteed for channels. new television franchise holders. The advantages that existing ITV Existing ITV companies and potential Channel 3 franchise holders have been companies currently enjoy is unlikely to

be sufficient to ensure they will retain issued with a gloomy warning by by the Coopers Deloitte media group, Britain's largest accounting and business advisory their licence to broadcast, according to the report, Investing in UK Television. "At no time, since commercial tele-vision began in the UK in 1955, has there Up to a quarter of the existing 16 commercial TV franchise areas will be

been such an opportunity for new companies to enter the market. We expect that up to 25 per cent of television franchise areas will be awarded to nonincumbent applicants." Mr George Eccles, chairman of the Cooper Deloitte media group, said. "In particular, there will be significant investment from outside the UK." EC companies will be looking to take advantage of the relaxation in the ownership rules "either by bidding outright for franchises or by

joining with existing ITV companies." But valuing franchises before submitting a bid-will be "extremely hazardous."

Mr Kip Meek, head of the media group's franchise unit, said: "Several successful applicants will overbid in fear of underbidding and losing out, but then they find that lack of profitability seriously threatens their survival."

He added: "In any event, Channel 3 franchises are unlikely to be the sole source of revenue for the franchise holders of the 1990s. Other interests will be held in related media or overseas and will become as important, if not more important, revenue earners than the licence itself."

Despite the gloomy warning for poten-tial investors in mainstream commercial television, the Coopers Deloitte media group is nevertheless optimistic about cable television and believes penetration will increase in the 1990s.

#### **BUSINESS ROUNDUP**

#### Ansett chooses Rolls for £60m engine deal

ANSETT Worldwide Aviation, the Australian aircraft-leasing group, has chosen Rolls-Royce RB211-535E4 engines for a newly ordered additional 10 Boeing 757 airliners with options for two more. The order, including spares likely to be needed over the life of the aircraft, is worth more than £60 million to the Derby-based aero engine maker. With the new order, Ansett will have 38 Rolls-Royce-powered 757s, plus

Other operators of the Boeing twin-jet have also been turning in increasing numbers to Rolls-Royce, which is the choice of more than 70 per cent of users of the aircraft. Last year Rolls-Royce had firm orders for 178 engines with another 36 on the options list.

#### Acquisitions Dinkie Heel boost Aspen

ASPEN Communications, the USM specialist printing group, said contributions from acquisitions helped annual pre-tax profits to end-December rise 21 per cent to £6.02 million on turnover ahead 55.5 per cent to £58.7 million. The final dividend is improved to 5.4p (4.5p), making 7.8p (6.5p) for the year. Earnings per share slip from 33.2p to 32.9p.

#### lifts payout DINKIE Heel, the shoe

component manufacturer, lifted pre-tax profits from £283,000 to £418,000 in the year to end-December. Group turnover increased from £3.55 million to £7.95 million. Earnings per share rose by 26 per cent to 2.33p. The final dividend is improved to 0.6p (0.35p), making 0.95p (0.57p) for the

#### Boost for Geers shares

GEERS Gross, the quoted advertising agency, saw its shares go ahead 5p to 30p on news of an increase in pre-tax profits from £479,000 to £706,000 in the year to end-December.

The full-year dividend is maintained at 1p, but Mr Robert Gross, the chairman, said there would be a return to higher dividends and a twice-yearly payment this year, which he forecast would show a greater percentage increase in profits than 1989's 47 per cent. Last year the company won 15 new accounts — none of which had an impact on that year's figures - and lost none, Mr Gross added.

#### T&S soars to £6.6m

PRE-TAX profits at T&S ADT group, the conglom-Stores, the confectionery, tobacco and newspaper group, rose from £3.03 million to £6.64 million in the year to end-December on turnover up 52 per cent to £197.1 million. Adjusted eps are up to 10.5p (9.89p). The final dividend rises to 2.5p (1.625p), making 4p (2.625p)

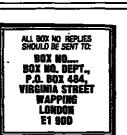
#### **ADT** raises Christies role

erate with interests in securities, has lifted its stake in Christies International, the auction house, to 15.1 per cent of the issued share capital and 13.4 per cent of total issued capital. ADT does not plan to make an offer for all of Christies, whose shares rose 3p to 334p. Stock market, page 28

#### Setback for T&N bid

T&N, the engineering and motor components group, has hit a stumbling block in its \$190 million recommended offer for JP Industries, the US vehicle parts company. The US Federal Trade Commission has requested additional information in connection with its \$17.30-a-share tender offer.

T&N said it and JP will comply with the request "expeditiously." It has extended its tender offer to May 14 from April 26 because of the development. The deal is to be financed by a rights issue to raise a net £127 million. T&N will also take on debt of \$176 million.



#### One way to save on going green

Continent are being encouraged to raise their insurance cover. But, as Family Money on Saturday discovers, shop-ping around for such "Green



RECEPTION & TELEPHONE

IN COLOUR . Cards" may be the only way to save some unnecessary holiday bills. There is also a warning for bank customer

who pay by giro credit.



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#### TEMPUS

# Room to improve at THF hotels

MR ROCCO Forte, chief executive of Trusthouse Forte, was displaying suitable humility yesterday as he admitted his executives had taken their eyes off the ball and missed the downturn in the provincial hotels market by a crucial couple of months last

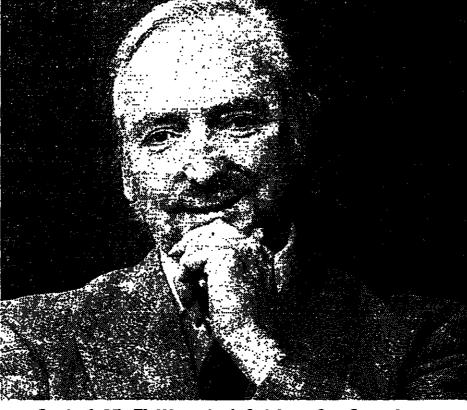
Perhaps their attention was distracted by the unaccountable and apparently unfounded bid speculation around then which pushed the shares above 350p at one stage. The inevitable adjustment has come since then, coinciding in the past couple of months with a downgrading for the hotels sector as a whole.

THF, after a change in its financial year-end to reduce seasonality, unveiled pre-tax profits largely in line with expectations at £291 million for the 15 months to end-January. A figure of £260 million for the year to that date compares with £232 million for the 12 months to end-October 1988. The laggard was hotels with

a rise in trading profits, before higher interest charges, of 10 per cent year-against-year. This compares with 27 per cent from contract catering still finding extra work from the NHS, and 22 per cent from public catering and

Analysis have great hopes for Mr Alan Hearn, who took over as managing director of hotels at the start of the year. There is much streamlining to be done within the division's structure and opportunities to prune labour costs if demand continues to slacken.

affected the corporate and about 9, a little below the



Carrying the Miss World banner into its fortieth year: Owen Oyston, the group chief executive of Trans World Comm

London market performed well, although there must be doubts about Japanese visitors this summer. The US continues to do poorly, and THF is cautious about forecasting any immediate sharp improvement.

The shares followed the market, marked higher before drifting lower to end 7p down at 254p. Pre-tax profits of THF says the leisure market £285 million this year would held up well, but harder times put the shares on a multiple of

cent dividend increase suggests a prospective yield of 5.8. Any flight to quality in the hattered hotels sector in coming months and the shares could see some support.

#### Austin Reed

Austin Reed would do well to keep an eye on events at Aquascutum, where rebel shareholders are attempting to win full voting rights for the A shares. Poor trading perforconference side. The luxury sector average, while a 15 per mances can be just the trigger

shareholders, and Reed's twotier equity structure would look even more vulnerable should the Aquascutum board be overpowered.

With 80 per cent of its business in menswear, which traditionally fares worse than women's and children's clothing when times are hard, Reed saw pre-tax profits fall from £8.1 million to £6.9 million in the year to January, their lowest for three years. The trading profit was maintained

million to £84.9 million. Earnings fell from 18.7p to 17.3p and the final dividend is up from 6p to 6.5p, making 9.5p,

against 9p. UK sales increased by 4 per cent with womenswear up 8 per cent. The interest charge rose from £1.76 million to £3 million and the group has cut stock levels and capital spending. Gearing is about 23 per cent and should come down to nearer 11 per cent.

Although the group has run an eye over Wetherall, the rainwear manufacturer, now in receivership, it has decided not to buy it and there are no plans for further retail

Reed appears to be doing the right things to lessen the effects of the consumer squeeze and looks set to make about £6.5 million before property profits, according to Kleinwort Benson. That puts the A shares, up 5p at 150p, on a p/e of 10.

If Austin Reed is forced to

abandon its two-tier share structure, it could not fail to help the share price. The shares are a strong hold.

#### Trans World

Communications THE vital financial statistics of Trans World Communica-

tions (formerly Miss World Group) may appear pleasing, but there is — as yet — little reason to be carried away. Pretax profits for 1989 rose from £2.53 million to £4.56 million and turnover from £8.41 million to £12.72 million.

However, the results have

at £9.9 million but included and a half months of Picca-£900,000 of property profits. dilly Radio, whose precise contribution Trans World will not divulge and, yet at the same time, progress was re-strained by some inherited problems from Piccadilly.

Advertising revenue from group radio stations jumped by 80.7 per cent, but again the numbers are not disclosed and

Trans World is rightly cautious about the outlook After the doubled interim dividend, to 4p a share (largely to reduce the disparity), the final is held at 8p, payable on

June 20, to make 12p (10p).
The Miss World contest. which suffered in the first half from the decision by Thames Television not to renew its screening contract, was held abroad for the first time and contributed £248,000 compared with £789.000.

This year marks the fortieth year of the Miss World pag-eant and next year the US market will be open again to the group, so better results should be on the boards.

Preliminary details of the balance sheet suggest net borrowings up from £1 mil-tion to £3.5 million — and set to rise to £6.5 million - and a negative £3 million of tangible

Trans World is hoping that the Broadcasting Bill will open the way to move further into radio station companies. which, it believes, are "an excellent investment area."

The group could see pre-tax profits of £5.6 million this year, but the market's view of radio shares is hardly as

The prospective p/e of 8.3 at yesterday's 283p, up 15p, suggests that Trans World has a bigger credibility gap than been greatly helped by eight most in this sector.

# BAT paper group may come to market with £1.5bn tag

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

merged paper group due for a Stock Exchange listing on June 1, will have a strong financial base offering the chance of expansion, according to Mr Stephen Walls, WTA's chairman and chief

He gave his views while setting out the capital structure being demerged from BAT in the wake of the group's flotation of the Argos stores chain. ered in order to strengthen the it is part of BAT's defensive drive for such growth. He £13.4 billion takeover by Sir James Goldsmith's Hoylake.

WTA will be the biggest British-owned paper company and the fourth largest in Europe. Analysts' assessments of WTA's value vary between £1.2 billion and £1.5 billion, with the higher figure reflect-ing the possibility of takeover. It should make the FT-SE 100.

Under the intended financial structure, WTA would have had about £670 million in shareholder funds at the end of last year, taking into account capital adjustments to be made before the demerger of WTA from BAT.

WTA would have shown at the year-end a net indebtedness of about £170 million, excluding about £45 million of trade debts financed off balance sheet.

In the year to end-December, WTA had a turnover of

Receiver is

appointed

for E&G

EQUITY & General, the mo-

tor dealer and financial ser-

vices outfit previously known

as Emray, has brought in a receiver to administer its af-

fairs, excluding the motor

A terse statement from the

Barclays Bank had appointed

the receiver. In February, the

company put its finance di-

vision up for sale, warning

that significant losses there

made it unlikely there would

be more than nominal trading

profits in 1989. The shares

were suspended at 20p late last

WIGGINS Teape Appleton £1.5 billion and a trading (WTA), the BAT Industries profit of £201 million, including its share of trading profits of associated companies Mr Walls said: "Progress

towards demerger is proceeding smoothly. Based on this level of debt, WTA will have a strong financial base from which we can expand the business after demerger. Mr Walls' priorities for

planned for WTA, which is WTA will include organic growth, but possible acquisitions will also be considwhich can be exploited between the US-based Appleton and Wiggins Teape.

However, he realizes that WTA could become a takeover target because it operates at the high value-added end of the paper business. WTA will be the world's biggest producer of carboniess paper, and Europe's leading manufacturer of thermal papers, typically used in fax machines. Listing details for WTA are

due out on May 10, and BAT meetings on the demerger are scheduled for May 31. There will be an issue of free shares to BAT holders for the demerger, WTA is to establish a London headquarters. Appleton will continue to deal with its home market, while Wiggins Teape, still to be operationally-based at Basingstoke, Hampshire, will continue to focus on Europe.



Stephen Walls: smooth progress towards demerger

## Prestwick payout held despite drop

By Philip Pangalos

Holdings, the Ayr printed circuit board manufacturer, were more than halved, from £1.11 million to £517,000, in the six months to end-Janucompany, which was not available for comment, said that at the board's request ary. Turnover rose 6 per cent to £13.6 million.

Prestwick gave a warning last December of a substantial reduction in first-half profits because of the break in British Telecom's order programme. Earnings per share fell from 3.4p to 1.5p, with fully-diluted earnings down from 3.1p to 1.6p. However, the interim dividend is maintained at the news.

# PRE-TAX profits at Prestwick 0.5p. Telecommunications Holdings, the Ayr printed used to account for 27 per cent

of orders but now accounts for Mr Alistair McKie, a director, said orders for the computer, facsimile and photocopier sectors, which now

make up 74 per cent of orders, were "gaining ground." The company said that the replacement of BT (telecommunications) business had been achieved, although it is unlikely that full-year profits would match last year's. The shares lost 1p to 32p on

#### Profits fall at Densitron DENSITRON International

the electronic components maker, said pre-tax profits fell from £1.63 million to £1.11 million in the year to end-December. Turnover edged ahead from £22.9 million to £23 million. Earnings fell from 5.49p to 3.6p but the final 1.65p, making 2.35p.

#### BBA wins order

BBA Group, the engineering company, has received a \$52 million order from Saab-Scania, the Swedish aircraft manufacturer, for landing gear for the new 50-seater Saab 2000 airliner. The landing gear will be developed and produced by BBA's AP Precision Hydraulics subsidiary.

#### Consortium poised to enter new mobile phone market

# Rabbit jumps out of Telepoint hat

By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

BYPS, the Barclays Bank, Philips electronics and Shell consortium which is to operate one of Britain's four Telepoint networks, expects to start up its service by the early summer in a bid for what it believes will be a mass market for portable communications. The service is to be called Rabbit.

Research commissioned by BYPS from the Henley Centre for Forecasting suggests that more than 12 million Britons will be using some form of portable communication by 1995.

The research also shows that, aithough

business users will at first predominate, ications field expands in line with the increasingly more general users will enter Henley forecast.

the picture. Telepoint is primarily a one-way only system for making telephone calls when on the move and some in the industry have questioned how far it will survive after about five years.

That is when the new personal communications network (PCN) generation is developed to produce a digital competitor to the radio-based cellular systems currently in use.

BYPS argues that cellular and PCN systems will cater for the business market while Telepoint could still prosper as the entire portable commun-

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The survey suggests that the Telepoint operators will be seeing an annual tunover of £1 billion by 1995 as more than 3.5 million people spend just under £300 a year on the service.

One of the factors in producing a mass market for mobile communications will be the need felt by many women and older people for more flexible communications as personal security becomes an increasing worry, says the survey.

A more mobile population will also mean a greater need for telephone communication with members of a family and friends, the report suggests.

## Runciman soars as Avena lifts bid

By Melinda Wittstock

SHARES in Walter Runci- Runciman from Telfos before man, the shipping and security equipment group fight-ing its second hostile bid in 18 months, soared 95p to 638p after the Swedish company Avena increased its cash offer from 520p to 625p a share.

Runciman rejected the in-

creased offer, up nearly £10 million to £57.4 million, as "wholly inadequate," particu-larly in light its of better-thanexpected profits forecast for 1990, But Prolific, the institutional fund which invested in Runciman after Telfos Holdings' failed bid, accepted the new offer in respect of its 5 per

launching its bid, now speaks for almost 40 per cent of the equity. The Runciman family holds about 30 per cent. The new offer represents an

exit price-carnings multiple of 11.8 times, against the shipping industry average of 11. Mr Garry Runciman, chair-

man, said shareholders should reject "this attempt to buy their company on the cheap."
He added he would write to them after Avena's final offer document is posted tomorrow to explain his reasoning "in more detail."

Runciman has forecast cent holding. Avena, which 1990 profits up not less than bought 28 per cent of 34 per cent to £7.5 million.

#### WORLD MARKET INDICES

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The World	711.6	0.2	-15.6	0.6	-11.5	0.6	-14.4
(free)	135.9	0.2	-15.7	0.6	-11.6	0.6	-14.5
EAFE	1227.8	8.0	-21.2	0.9	-16.0	1.2	-20.1
(free)	126.0	0.8	-21.5	8.0	-16.3	1.2	-20.3
Europe	740.4	-0.6	<u>-2.7</u>	-0.5	-3.1	-0.2	-1.3
(free)	159.6	-0.6	-2.4	-0.8	-3.0	-0.2	-1.0
Nth America	513.7	-0.8	-4.5	-0.4	-3.1	-0.3	-3.2
Nordic	1504.4	0.4	-3.3	0.5	-3.7	0.8	-2.0
(free)	238.7	0.4	1.5	0.6	0.9	0.8	3.6
Pacific	2713.1	1.9	-31.6	2.0	-23.8	2.3	-30.6
Far East	3917.8	2.0	-32.3	2.1	-24.3	2.4	-31.3
Australia	303.6	0.1	-12.6	0.1	-8.8	0.5	-11,3
Austria	2140.0	-1.0	44.0	-0.7	44.8	-0.6	46.1
Belgium	917.1	-0.6	-6.8	-0.3	-7.9	-0.1	-5.5
Canada	517.4	-1.2	-13.8	-1.1	-12.1	-0.8	-12.6
Denmark	1342.1	-0.1	2.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	3,4
Finland	103.0	-0.5	-10.7	-0.5	-10.9	-0.1	-9.4
(free)	141.1	-0.7	-5.4	-0.6	-5.6	-0.2	-4.0
France	843.7	-1.3	4.3	-1.1	3.1	-0.9	5.8
Germany	972.3	-1.4	6.0	-1.2	6.5	-1.0	7.5
Hong Kong	2364.0	0.4	6.6	8.0	7.9	0.8	8.
Italy	395.4	-0.4	2.6	-0.2	1.1	0.0	4.0
Japan	4106.0	2.1	-33.4	22	-25.3	2.5	-32.
Netherlands	909.4	0.3	<b>-3.8</b> °	0.5	-3.6	0.7	-2.4
New Zealand	87.0	-0.9	-15.6	-0.6	-12.0	-0.5	-14,4
Norway	1544.2	-0.4	15.0	-0.2	15.5	0.0	16.7
(free)	269.9	-0.4	15.5	-0.2	15.9	0.0	17.2
Sing/Malay	1946.9	-0.5	-2.4	-0.1	-2.1	-0.1	-1.0
Spain	212.4	0.2	-10.3	0.2	-11.6	0.6	-9.0
Sweden	1613.0	0.9	-8.0	1.0	-8.2	1,3	-6.7
(free)	231.4	1.6	-4.4	1.7	-4.6	2.0	-3.0
Switzerland	864.3	-0.4	-5.5	-0.3	-7.5	0.0	-4.1
(free)	132.5	-0.4	-5.1	-0.3	-7.1	0.0	-3.7
UK	654.6	-0.4	-9.2	-0.4	-9.2	0.0	-7.9
USA	465.3	-0.7	3.7	-0.3	-2.3	-0.3	-2.3
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#### Commercial Union Assurance Company plc

Results Of The Polls Taken At The Meetings Convened By The High Court And Held On Tuesday 17 April 1990 For The Purpose Of Considering A Scheme Of Arrangement In Connection With The Establishment Of A New Holding Company.

Commercial Union Assurance Company plc is

pleased to announce that the resolutions put, respectively, to meetings of the holders of Commercial Union Preference Shares, Commercial Union Ordinary Shares and Commercial Union 1970 Executive Share Scheme Shares, were duly passed by the requisite majorities in accombance with Section 425(2) of the Companies Act 1985. Accordingly, it is anticipated that the Scheme of Arrangement will be sanctioned by the High Court on 21 May 1990 and will become effective on 1 June 1940.

**COMMENT** 

The economic scissors.

pose a Major dilemma

# hotel US law threatens BTR hopes of quick victory

takeover bid for Norton stop BTR from gaining full 26 annual meeting date after diminished with the passing of control of Norton without the company had previously wholesale board changes.

Under the law, signed by for 64 per cent of Norton.

Governor Michael Dukakis, A spokesman for BTR sa board changes are possible

The legislation, which was rushed through to help Norton, effectively prevents BTR

a law by the Massachusetts either board approval or 90 announced a two-month exgovernment preventing per cent of the Norton shares. BIR has claimed acceptances of the BIR offer.

A spokesman for BTR said: win four of the 12 board seats board changes are possible only every year, with just one-third of the hourd resistors.

The staggered board legisla at the April 26 meeting and thou does not diminish BTR's then hope for a change of third of the board positions intention to proceed with the mind from the other board

in the \$75-a-share bid was being considered and that a from winning board control at constitutional challenge to the dustry has recently signalled Norton at its annual meeting new legislation had not been its hostility to anti-takeover on April 26.

It also triggers two other lodged an appeal against last Pennsylvania. Under the lation.

BTR's chances of a quick anti-takeover statutes in Mas-victory in its \$1.6 billion sachusetts which effectively forced it to revert to the April in Massachusetts, if a company does not have board approval or 90 per cent of the shares in a company it cannot proceed with a merger for three years after the takeover

As things stand, BTR could was announced. Under the Massachusetts Shareholder Control legislation, a company cannot vote more than 20 per cent of its He added that no increase side shareholder support to shares unless it has 90 per cent of the shares or board advance its takeover claims.

> The US pension fund in-Mr John Nelson, Norton's chairman and chief executive, welcomed the quick passage of the staggered board legis-

#### Shearson loses record \$900m

From Our Correspondent New York

SHEARSON Lehman Hutton yesterday reported a record Wali Street loss of more than \$900 million after taking a \$630 million restructuring

The first-quarter loss also included a \$120 million operating loss, based on a downturn in trading income and \$75 million in provisions to cover legal costs and bad loans for its subsidiary Boston

But the news from Wall Street firms was not all bad with the largest US broker. Merrill Lynch, reporting firstquarter earnings of \$41.3 mil-lion compared with \$35.5 million last time. The results show the benefits of last year's restructuring which included the loss of 15,000 jobs. A \$395 million restructuring charge in the fourth quarter brought the 1989 loss for the firm to \$213

Merrill said its revenues this year were down from \$2.8 billion to \$2.7 billion but costs were also down by 5 per cent to \$2.6 billion.

It said revenues from investment banking and in-terest and dividend income were down while trading commission and asset manage ment fees increased slightly. Salomon Brothers has also indicated it will show a strong profit improvement when it

eposts next week. Shearson Lehman's problems have led to its parent company, American Express, injecting \$1.4 billion cash into the firm over the last three months and taking full control

of its formerly 60 per cent-owned subsidiary. Shearson, which is carrying bridging loans of \$600 million, is looking to sell the \$1.4 billion loan portfolio owned by its property division Balcor, which is also dogged by potentially bad property

The company also lost \$157 million because of a change in accounting policies in the

Shearson has cut staff by 2,000 this year. Earlier this week it said it

vas creating a world-wide equity division under the control of Mr Peter DaPuzzo and Mr Jack Rivkin.

This basic underlying inflationary pressure is hard to counteract by productivity at a time of slack or falling output except through the early Eighties expedient of a real recession. The Chancellor must calculate that he cannot afford that politically, just as he cannot afford to gamble economically by stimulating an output recovery by

easing interest rates much before the

He may well, therefore, get the recession anyway since he has little option meanwhile but to sit back, let question mark over policy, however, it things happen and hope that international interest rate movements and the vicissitudes of currency markets do not make things even worse. In practice, this may prove to be worse for the share markets and for the real economy than for the Government's political chances.

Underlying inflation may be intrac-table. But falling mortgage rates, lower poll taxes and a 1991 standstill on RPIsensitive duties could easily bring the nominal rate of inflation almost as far below the underlying rate in the summer of 1991 as it has been above over the

# Takeover poison warning

he latest Massachusetts anti-take- genuine attempts to secure agreed deals. over law, which turns a company board into something akin to a local council that can turn over only a third of its members each year, is but another bizarre reaction at state level to the unpopular phenomenon of takeover

t will have come as some relief to

John Major that the unexpected

recovery in the buoyancy of retail

sales appears to have come to an abrupt

end. The March retail sales figure,

showing a bigger-than-expected 1.4 per cent fall after the freakish 2.2 per cent

month-on-month rise in February, is

less weighty than the more logical

progression of the CBI distributive

trades survey. But the message is the

If the prospect of doggedly buoyant

consumer demand is no longer a serious

has been been replaced by a dilemma

which is more serious because it is more

intractable. The economic scissors be-

tween falling demand and output and

The latest upward movement in the

12-month growth of earnings has come

just at the moment when industrial

output has started turning down over a

broad range. The almost inevitable result is that the growth of unit wage

costs in manufacturing - the best part of

the economy - has accelerated to an

unacceptable 6.8 per cent in the latest

same and therefore strong,

rising pay is worsening.

three months to February.

Such laws have multiplied in a decentralized country where a high proportion of big companies have an important position in the communities where they are headquartered. The phenomenon could just as easily happen in Britain if democracy were as diverse and vibrant and may well, in any case, have been noted by those planning Labour policy.

Takeover bids are as unpopular in Britain as in the United States for only slightly different reasons. The local patriotism factor, which so signally failed to find an official response in the Rowntree case, will also grow as more single European market.

Yet the consequence of such laws and company "poison pills" is clearly not as hoped. It seems to encourage a destructive adversarial approach rather than

BTR, whose bid for Norton could be ensnared by Governor Dukakis, has developed a taste for hostile bids of late. But the distinctly tactless tactics of its Norton offer - first communicated via a telephone call at 6.15am - were dictated by the perceived need to see the bid battle in terms of a legal battle.

Such legal campaigns often merely extend the agony once, as in this case, the bidding company has secured provisional acceptances of a bid from a substantial majority of a company's shares. The likely result will still be a negotiated higher offer, now that the equally destructive alternative of the highly leveraged management buyout is overshadowed by America's junkheap.

The takeover industry, which has become the main means of increasing demand for shares to realize value, is at best an extremely inefficient mechanism that brings the free market into public disrepute. Laws simply designed bidders have foreign accents in the to frustrate the expressed wishes of a company's shareholders just bring the law equally into disrepute, rather than addressing the underlying issue of supply and demand imbalances in the financial markets.

# Lighter belts pinch Austin Reed

By Gillian Bowditch

AUSTIN Reed, the up-market menswear retailer, saw pre-tax profits for the year to January fall from £8.1 million to £6.9 million, their lowest for three

Mr Barry Reed, chairman, said that when family budgets are tight men buy fewer clothes than women.

Turnover rose from £78.9 million to £84.9 million and earnings per share fell from 18.7p to 17.3p. The final dividend is up from 6p to 6.5p, making 9.5p, up from 9p, for the year.

Mr Reed said he was concerned about the group of rebel shareholders at Aquascutum, who are trying to enfranchise the non-voting "In countries like Switzer-

land numerous devices are used to protect family businesses and on the whole they are welcomed," he said. He said the board looked at the possibility of enfranchising the non-voting Austin

but had no plans to do so in The non-voting shares rose 5p to 150p.

Reed shares from time to time



THE policy of buying in shares has paid off hand-somely at Helical Bar, the property company which used to develop City fringe office blocks but is now 75 per cent charges bite into gross profit.

invested in provincial indus-Yesterday the chairman, Mr Michael Slade, revealed an increase in net assets per share of 43 per cent to 429p. This million, which is now close to includes a £19.7 million covering interest payments.

revaluation of the group's trading profits. During the year, Mr Slade said, the company had bought in about 12 per cent of the

continued to trade at a substantial discount to assets. "We saw value at 350p, and we see even more value now."

company's equity and would continue to buy if the shares

said Mr Slade, adding that the company currently had £30 million cash in the bank. The shares closed up 9p at 269p. Helical Bar was the top-

Pre-tax profits rose by 19

year to January. At the year end the com-pany had a rent toll of £16.5 covering interest payments. Last year's interest charges of £18.7 million were three times

those of the year before. Mr Slade admits gearing, which he estimates is 120-130 per cent, is higher than he would like.

But he believes the company's stored-up rental value its average rent is only £2 a sq ft - will increasingly cover

interest charges. A final dividend of 7.6p (5p) a share is being paid, making a toal of 10p a share, an increase of 72 per cent.

# share leap by 43% at new-look Rea

By Neil Bennett, Banking Correspondent

under its new management.

Pre-tax profits in 1989 rose 77

an estimated £1 million. per cent to £1.1 million.

division rose by 42 per cent to per cent to £14.5 million in the £1.47 million, and losses in the asset management operation were more than halved to £242,000. The final dividend is level at 0.25p, to make an unchanged year's payout of

Rea has continued to restructure its businesses, selling its insurance broker and its travel agency.

The two disposals produced an extraordinary profit of £725,000, although the travel business made a further exceptional profit of £348,000 from compensation for moving out of its offices in the City.

The changes are being inspired by Mr Roger Parsons, who arrived as joint managing director in October 1988. He

REA Brothers, the merchant has recruited a team of senior bank, has started to prosper managers and restructured the

The core of the bank's Profits from the banking profits still comes from the Channel Islands subsidiary, which manages the bulk of its

£200 million deposits. Mr Christopher Norland, the former chief executive of Ifico, who is building Rea's corporate client list, spec-

ializing in smaller companies. The bank is also planning to treble its funds under management within three years to bring it into profit.

It has targeted smaller company pension funds and two accounts have increased its funds by 30 per cent. The business however is expected to continue losing money this

Mr Parsons said: "We think there is a huge market out there for us."

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#### McLean break in Scotland

THE attractions of the biggest and most blue-chip Japanese and European investment houses clearly pale into insignificance when compared with the little-known Edinburgh broking firm of Roder-ick Sutherland — at least as far as Ian McLean is concerned. For McLean, aged 36, one-time head of sales at County NatWest WoodMac, and, for a brief six months head of UK sales at Citicorp Scrimgeour Vickers — until the firm withdrew from the UK equity market this year - has turned down countless more remunerative and prestigious offers in favour of Sutherland.

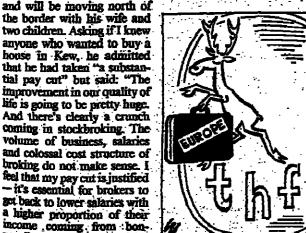
Formed just a year ago by Roddy Sutherland, ex-Ivory & Unit Trusts, McLean, who was born in Scotland, starts work at the firm on Monday and will be moving north of the border with his wife and two children. Asking if I knew anyone who wanted to buy a house in Kew, he admitted that he had taken "a substantial pay cut" but said: "The improvement in our quality of life is going to be pretty huge. And there's clearly a crunch coming in stockbroking. The volume of business, salaries and colossal cost structure of broking do not make sense. I feel that my pay cut is justified it's essential for brokers to got back to lower salaries with

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#### Bitter-sweet solution

and former guide publisher Egon Ronay. The case, sched-uled to open in the High Court on May 8, has been quietly withdrawn, and THF has paid £40,000 towards Ronay's costs. But the settlement comes too late to save Ronay's co-defendant, the British Gastronomic Academy, of which he was the founding president and in whose first newsletter he described the catering at THFs Choices restaurant at

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TRUSTHOUSE Forte has Heathrow's Terminal 2 as "fit withdrawn its libel action only for the dustbin" and against the restaurant critic concluded that "BAA must get and former guide publisher rid of the present caterers."

The Academy, meanwhile, intended to "raise standards of catering at all levels", gave up its search for sponsorship while litigation was still pending and, abandoned by its former chairman, old Etonian Rupert Hambro - the onetime chairman of the merchant bank - was forced into liquidation just days before the amicable settlement was announced.

Kleinwort Benson Securities,

is leaving the City after 14 years to join the coal and gold mining company Geevor international mining at

once best known as a Cornish tin miner - as its chief executive. In so doing, he is effectively returning from whence he came. For Wellesley-Wood once spent six years with Anglo American Corporation. Geevor, which closed down the last of its Cornish im mining operations this year and has since expanded into coal in Britain and gold in Ecuador, is described by Wellesley-Wood as an "interesting challenge." But the company was not one of Kleinwort's corporate clients. "Geevor does not have a stockbroker at the moment. I will be attending to that as soon as I join on June 18." No prizes for guessing which firm will be given first option. .

#### III winds of Insider

IN times of need, the skills of a traded options dealer can

clearly be put to a multitude of uses, as John Knox, head of options trading at Hoare Govett, will bear witness. Braving the English Channel at the weekend, with the two other shareholders in their Sigma 33 yacht Insider -Hoare Govett corporate financiers Chris Zeal and Rufus Warner - they found themscives in a force seven gale and Deanville. Green at the gills, they reacted a little too eagerly as soon as French land was sighted and promptly beached their boat. Informed by a coast guard that the tides would only permit their entry into Deanville harbour after midnight, and that they must pay charges amounting to about £60, Zeal and Knox promptly headed for the casino, leaving Warner to mind the boat, and won £250. "Once we saw land we just wanted to go for it and we went for it and hit it hard," said Zeal, who also reveals that Malcolm Strang, who manned a rival Hill Samuel yacht on the same trip, has had a bucket and spade delivered to Hoare's offices. "To give us something to do next time we beach ourselves," explains Zeal, The boat, bought just two months ago, and on its first overseas trip, is still berthed in France. With the weather still rough, the Hoare trio had not the stomach to bring Insider back, and

opted for the P&O ferry Carol Leonard

# Howe condemns 'scandal' in EC

THE "scandal of national preference" in public sector procurement within EC countries has resulted in efficiency losses probably costing more than £70 billion a year that might otherwise benefit customers and taxpayers.

That was the message from Sir Geoffrey Howe, Lord President of the Council, when he opened a two-day conference on public sector procurement in London.

The conference, organized by the National Economic Development Office and the first major one of its kind in Europe, is aimed at hastening a freeing of public procurement policies throughout the EC. Sir Geoffrey said public procurement was a £450 billion-a-year market represent-

"The whole 1992 process is ter products at a cheaper at the cost of their own price." He continued: "Euro- efficiency.



pean industry's competitive edge has for too long been blunted by explicit or disguised protectionism designed ostensibly to serve the industrial needs of preferred nat-Europe as a whole, has been ing 15 per cent of total EC sacrificed on the altar of gross domestic product.

Everybody had been losers about freeing markets and, by in the "irrational game of increasing competition and advantaging individual sec-enhancing choice, getting bet- tors or industries", ironically

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#### Australian insurance companies in merger

From David Tweed, Sydney

TWO of Australia's biggest tual Life Association to form life insurance companies, the nation's biggest financial MLC Life and Capita Financial Group, announced an more than Aus\$80 billion.

Aus\$10 billion (£4.7 billion) merger to form the country's third largest financial group.

market share of about 15 per cent, ranking behind the AMP The merger follows last Society, with a little more than month's proposed merger bemonth's proposed merger bemo

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# public contracts | Carlton tumbles another 43p to a low as Americans sell

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fine art auctioneer, rose 3p to 334p after Mr Michael

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CARLTON Communications fall from grace in the City continues. Shares in this film and television services group tumbled by another 43p to a low of 481p, after briefly touching 470p, with the bulk of the selling believed to be coming from the US. At the start of this year,

Carlton was trading at about 850p with fund managers expecting further strong growth in earnings. But prospects have since turned sour and the shares are the poorest performer among the constituents of the FT-SE 100 index. Presentations by Mr Michael Green, the chairman, in both London and Tokyo have failed to halt the slide and talk in the Square Mile suggests that the group has applied to the Stock Exchange to initiate

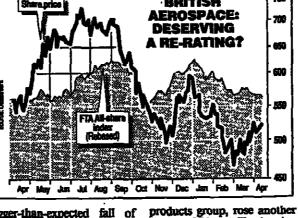
Last month's proposed sale of its Cosworth engineering business to Vickers was poorly received and now there are almost 10 points whittled even doubts that the deal will away to finish 8.6 lower at be completed if Sir Ron 2,205.9 in thin conditions. Brierley's proposals to The FT index of 30 shares fell demerge Roll-Royce from 3.7 to 1,732.6. Government nual meeting next week.

Meanwhile, there are persisthe decision by BET and Thorn EMI to dispose of their

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bigger-than-expected fall of 1.4 per cent in March retail sales failed to make much

But gains were not held with that the group has applied to London tailing off in late the Stock Exchange to initiate trading following an early fall a buy-back programme of its on Wall Street in spite of the news that the US trade deficit had fallen to its lowest since 1983.

The FT-SE 100 saw a rise of The FT index of 30 shares fell Vickers are accepted by securities reversed gains of £4 shareholders at Vickers' an- as the US bond market suffered an early setback.

Among the leaders, Glaxo, tent fears that the group will the subject of a buy recomthe subject of a buy recommendation this week by Kleinwort Benson, eased 15p to 795p as a rival broker, make a bid for Thames after mendation this week by holdings in Thames, totalling Smith New Court, took a
56 per cent. Cariton's bid for cautious view of the shares.
Thames in 1986 was blocked Redland benefited from a visit
by the IBA. Confirmation of to its West German operation
the downtum in advertising by James Canel, the booker. by the IBA. Confirmation of the downturn in advertising revenues by television companies has also added to the gloom and may have been behind the group's recent veiled warning about profits.

The rest of the equity hardened 6p to 256p on talk of market made a firm start, encouraged by overnight performances in Wall Street and Tokyo. There was also a small improvement on Tuesday's low turnover levels with 352 million shares traded. The

managers.
ECC, the clay and building

ruled out the possibility of adding to its stake but re- changed at 82p in the wake of

factory at Toulouse. BAe has a rally in GWR Group, up 7p at 20 per cent stake in Airbus 385p, Capital Radio, up 10p at which has become the world's 145p and Chiltern Radio, 5p at second largest aircraft manufacturer after overtaking Mo-Donnell Douglas of the US. It tremor in San Francisco sent is now competing fiercely with Boeing for the top spot.

4p to 374p, still drawing strength from this week's the tie-up with Honda which will result in Rover, BAe's appointment of Rugby Group's Mr Andrew Teare as chief executive. Rugby Group

Some analysts say that the value that Honda has placed on the Rover deal could result in a rerating of the group. One broker has calculated that the CU announced a trading link upside potential for BAe with Tokio Fire and Marine

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Yorkshire Radio was unaffirmed that it had "no Tuesday's sharp fall, stempresent intention" of making a ming from a profits warning. The company said that British Aerospace rose 5p to advertising revenues in the 529p as a party of analysts first quarter were down 17 per visited the Airbus Industrie cent. But there were signs of a

Reports of another earth the big insurers into a tail-spin after a firm start. The in-The share price also benefited from the completion of uing to count the cost of last year's Californian earthquake which is expected to make a subsidiary, and the Japanese sizeable dent in profits. The company's British arm taking worst affected were General a 20 per cent stake in each Accident, 6p lower at £10.01 and Royal Insurance, 6p at 451p. Commercial Union also lost 9p at 465p, still reflecting this week's warning about first-quarter losses. This week

> The clearing banks re-mained depressed by the support operation being mounted by the Bank of England for the ailing British & Commonwealth whose shares were suspended this week after being forced to write-off losses totalling £550 million at its Atlantic Computers sub-

sidiary. The banking sector has also been depressed by the growing bad debt problem created by high interest rates and the slowdown in the British economy. Falls were seen in Barcinys Bank, 15p to 550p, Lloyds Bank, 13p to 261p, Midland Bank, 7p to 318p, National Westminster Bank, 12p to 334p and Reyal Bank of Scotland, 3p to 175p.

London Forfaiting, the USM finance company where

B&C holds a 40 per cent stake,

fell 6p to 64p.

#### HS buys another US money group

By Graham Searjeant Financial Editor

HILL SAMUEL Investment Management Group, part of the TSB group, has bought another regional investment management group in the United States, bringing its total funds under manage ment in the US or for US institutions abroad up to \$10.2 billion, Worldwide, Hill Samuel manages almost £20

billion of investments. Atlanta Capital Manage-ment, which manages \$1.6 billion of funds, has been bought for an undisclosed sum from its management, which will have incentive agree ments to stay.

Hill Samuel bought Investment Advisers, which is based in Minneapolis, in 1986 and has since trebled funds under

Mr Neville Bowen, chief executive of Hill Samuel Investment Management, sees Atlanta's expertise in quantitative management as one of its attractions for develoment in other areas. In the UK, Hill Samuel has developed a variant of indexlinked funds which concentrates on companies with above-average exposure to one or more key variables, such as relative high asset value or overseas earnings. It says that such "tilted" funds, most recently tilted to assets, have outperformed the general share index over the past three years.

#### Bass in £14m Belgian sale

BASS, the brewing and leisure group, has sold its Mayfair hotel in Brussels to Hotel Mayfair, Belgium, a newly formed subsidiary of the Japanese property and leisure group Chifan, for £14 million. Bass said the sale continued its policy of disposing of hotels that no longer fit its long-term Michael Clark strategy to develop the Holiday Inn hotel chain.

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# Nikkei surges 787 points

A BLUE-CHIP buying binge by a big Japanese broker and some buy programs pushed Investors took heart from the on Tuesday's 400 million. dollar's inability to maintain its grasp on Y160. However, trading was thin.

The Nikkei index soared 787.46 points, or 2.77 per cent, to 29,249.06 after easing by just 1.58 on Tuesday. The index closed at its peak, gaining speed in the late afternoon as a big broker bought high-technology shares and recommended them to its

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US trade deficit for February, which was released after the soared Y460 to Y6,840, tearing through its previous 1990 high of Y6,820. Sony rose Y130 to Y8,400.

Hitachi and the Chiyoda engineering company were

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clients. Other big brokers fol-lowed and bought stocks like least one of the big four TDK, Sony and others. Turn-brokers. Hitachi was up Y40 over was 450 million shares - to Y1,600, but Chiyoda shed share prices broadly higher. modest, but an improvement Y40 to Y2,290 in late profit-

Rising shares eclipsed falls • Hong Kong - Prices surged by almost three to one. The in afternoon trading as a wave main topic of the day was the of British institutional buying swept the market's main shares index to a post-June 4 record for the se utive day. The Hang Seng index closed 31.91 higher at

The broader-based Hong Kong index rose 19.71 to 2,004.35. (Reuter)

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● Singapore — The Straits Times industrial index rose by 7.48 to 1,534.11. (Reuter)



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# Trade gap optimism New York THE Dow Jones industrial average firmed by 5 points to 2,770.77 at the start of trading, dealers taking an optimistic view of the \$6.49 billion trade gap for February. The gap was smaller than expected and showed strength in the economy traders end Bonds fell on the news, with traders interpreting it as an indication that a healthy economy precludes any easing of credit by the Federal Reserve. The market appeared to take the view that a strong econ-● Frankfurt - The DAX index fell 24.59 to 1,889.76. Shares tumbled by 1.3 per cent in a cautious market, with sharp losses in some stocks and low-volume sales forcing prices lower across the board. • Sydney - The All-Ord-inaries index finished 2.0 up at 25 50 67

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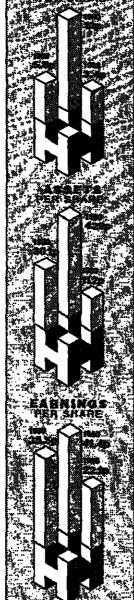
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Surgeon can practise

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● TECHNOLOGY: SECOND-HAND SATELLITES

# Head start for the hi-tech surgeons

Exact 3D models of patients' heads and hips, designed by a computer

and used to rehearse difficult operations, are

being tested by hospitals, reports **Thomson Prentice** 

omplex operations that would have been impossible only a few years ago are being performed by surgeons who first rehearse their techniques on exact-replicas of their patients skulls. The models are constructed from three-dimensional computer images, produced by hitech body-scanners which supply richly detailed maps of individual pa-tients, revealing the nature of their underlying conditions or injuries.

The latest methods of reconstructive surgery are being developed in an experimental project in The Netherlands and, if successful, could transform the lives of many people who have been physically and psychologially scarred by severe congenital malformations, accidents or illnesses. Last month, a 20-year-old Dutchman, who was born with a grossly receding forehead and misshapen eye sockets, underwent

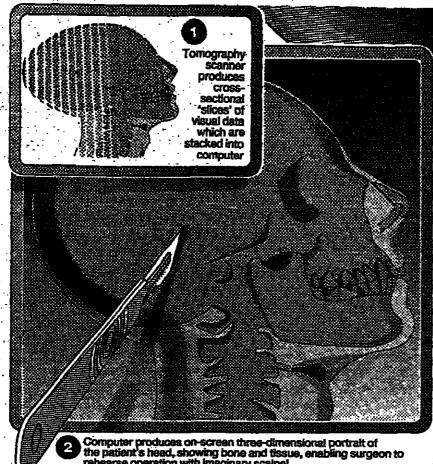
the first full-scale operation in the

project.
Without these new techniques surgeons would not have dared to operate on him; the complexities were enormous," says Dr Frans Zonneveld, the medical physicist who pioneered the work at Philips Medical Systems laboratories in Eindhoven, and the University Hospital, Utrecht.

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The surgeons rehearsed the cutting and reshaping of the patient's skull with a polyurethane foam model, built from information provided by computed tomography (CT) scans of his head. The scanner produces countless cross-sectional images of the head in the form of "slices", which are then stored in a computer to create a volume of data.

The computer operators then constructed a three-dimensional portrait of the patient's head on their display screen, by highlight-ing separate densities of bone, blood vessels, fat and tissue in different colours, and combining



Computer produces on-screen three-dimensional portrait of the patient's head, showing bone and tissue, enabling surgeon to rehearse operation with imaginary scalpel

Computerised data is fed into milling machine which produces exact replica of patient's and move even before the operamotion to create an image. The

rotate the on-screen image to view

part of the process is that it eliminates the need for exploratory operations," Dr Zonneveld says.

he computerized information was then fed into a milling machine to cut and shape the replica, to an accuracy of within one millimetre, from a block of rigid polypretnane foam with similar mechanical properties to bone. This allowed it to be cut using standard surgical instrument

Other foam or resin-based materials tested by the researchers were rejected as either too hard or too brittle. If a prosthetic implant had been

required for the patient, it would have been a simple matter to produce one that fitted exactly, with no need to trim bone. The model was produced in a few hours and helped surgeons to

understand the configurations of the patient's deformities, and to move and rearrange sections of the skull in a rehearsal of the corrective procedures.

it from all directions to observe abnormalities and "cut" it with an imaginary scalpel, planning each of the procedures they would Dr Nico Bosma, a neurosurgeon; and Professor Ben de Jong, a employ in the actual operation.

One particular value of this plastic surgeon.

"He is making a rapid and remarkable recovery and we can expect him to have a vastly improved quality of life as a result of the surgery," Dr Zonneveld says.
"The importance of these techniques is that we can now offer hope to patients with gross congenital malformities, sufferers of head tumours and victims of

> the best surgeons. "At best, all the necessary reconstructive surgery can now be contemplated in one operation, rather than a series of operations in those cases which have been suitable for surgery at all. This reduces the costs, the time, and the hazards involved."

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have such complex problems that they have been beyond the skills of

to expand the eye sockets, took

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the Utrecht hospital by a team

including Dr Noorman van der

Dussen, a maxillofacial surgeon;

Doctors at Utrecht and at the University Hospitals of Amsterdam and Rotterdam have commissioned a number of other replicas on behalf of a growing waiting list of patients, including several children, who have been referred to them for similar surgery. Professor Angus McGrouther, University College Hospital, London, predicts increasing use of these and similar techniques internationally. "Severe facial deformities may

require extensive surgery on the bone of the skull and facial skeleton to achieve a correction," he says. "Three-dimensional mod-

'We can now offer hope to patients with congenital malformities or head tumours and victims of serious accidents'

elling of the skull and facial bones is now possible by combining the modern developments of scanning and computer graphics to plan such surgery."

The new techniques are being

extended to other parts of the body, such as the hip and limbs. In New York, Professor Dean Taylor, of Cornell University, predicts that orthopaedic surgeons will soon be able to manipulate an on-screen image of a patient's hip images of the head taken from a The actual operation, to bring Britain's only professor of plastic or knee in order to tailor artificial variety of angles. Using these 3D the patient's forehead forward and and reconstructive surgery, at joints, and to test how it will fit

tion begins. The results will be artificial

joints which have been "tuned" so precisely that the devices will last decades longer than they do at present, and be less expensive to make, Prof Taylor says. American specialists expect the

number of such implants to. increase substantially in the coming years, given the rise in the proportion of elderly patients. Already, some 200,000 artificial hip joints are implanted each year in the United States. At present, a surgeon choses an

implant for a patient from a limited number of standard-sized devices, by superimposing a succession of silhouette templates over X-rays of the joint. Even with X-rays as guides, however, several sizes must be available in the operating theatre because the real, three-dimen-

different from that protrayed in a two-dimensional X-ray. Prof Taylor, an associate professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering, is lending his technical expertise to a research project which is being conducted at Cornell and at the Hospital for

sional joint may be surprisingly

Special Surgery, in New York.

Data from CT scans of the patient's joint are fed into a clinical computer system which employs colours, transparency,

surgeon can then design and "test" a made-to-measure implant, pro-Dutch replicas. The combination of CT scans

and graphics to display information for surgeons means we can achieve a much better fit and design for hip implants," Prof e adds: "It is reason-

able to expect these improved devices to last longer. The system allows the surgeon to determine potential problems before the operation, and increases his productivity."

Prof Taylor was describing the

advances in hip and knee joints at a meeting in the United States to discuss advances made possible by the application of supercomputers to bioengineering.

With artifical joints designed and machined in the hospital's

biomechanics laboratory adjacent to the operating theatre, the 3D computer graphics allow a "re-hearsal" of the surgery in such detail that the surgeon can test how the implant fits and moves in the patient before the procedure has started. While some hip implants re-

place joints broken in falls, the majority are performed to restore mobility lost to arthritis or dysplasia; and abnormal development of tissue that causes

If a skull implant is needed it can be

recisely into place

by using replica as mould

Prof Taylor says reduction of costs is also an important goal in the computer-tailored hip and knee joints project, and wrist, shoulder and implants.

He estimates that in the United States large orthopaedic hospitals keep an inventory of hip and knee replacements worth up to \$5 million (about £3 million).

Replacement of the present generation of hip joints, which last about 10 years, is usually necessary because of loosening of the joint or bone or breakage of the implant because dynamic nature of the environment of the body into which it is inserted. Prof Taylor says: "Designing an

artificial joint is not like designing the suspension of the landing sear of aircraft. The living skeleton is not an inert system; it is very active with the bone adjusting itself to altered loads. It is also an tough chemical environment. Supercomputers are needed to

process the immensely elaborate mathematical model that has been constructed for structural analysis, and which is employed for showing how the bone of an individual patient will respond to implants by changing their geometry and material properties. In an emergency, a new joint

can be designed, machined and tested before surgery in a week.

# Hubble launch advanced

The Hubble Space Telescope is now

expected to gointo orbit next

week, Nasa says

Space experts yesterday successfully test-fired a new hydraulic power unit aboard the Shuttle spacecraft Discovery, opening the possibility that the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Nasa) may be It passed stringent tests in a able to advance the date of the critical five-minute "hot firdelayed launch of the Hubble ing" yesterday. The replace-

can now lay out the rest of the with a Shuttle in the vertical activities that are necessary to complete between now and launch and we can gauge the batteries, prompted Nasa time to see if we can make the managers to consider a lift-off launch on April 24 or 25."

the \$1.5 billion (nearly £1 ceeding better than expected, billion) space telescope, which should give astronomers a 10 flight up one day further if times sharper view of stars results from the APU test and

Thursday with only four minntes left to countdown.

A decision is expected today if engineers are satisfied with further overnight checks on a new power steering unit. The most expensive satellite

ever built was grounded by a fault in one of the auxiliary power units, APU, of the Shuttle. A replacement APU, which will provide hydraulic steering power to the Shuttle's engines and wing flaps, was installed in Discovery's engineroom at the weekend.

It passed stringent tests in a Space Telescope to next week. ment work, never before A Nasa official said: "We attempted at the lannch pad

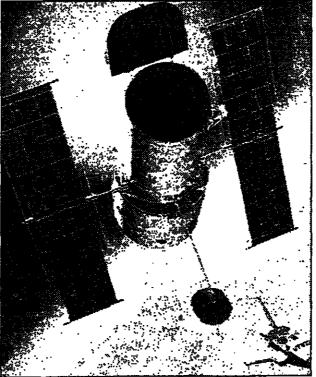
for 8.30am April 25, 15 days The first attempt to launch late. With repair work prothey are prepared to move the

No other astronomy project has taken so long to develop, proven so technologically challenging or cost so much.

Yet the concept for an orbiting telescope can be traced to early speculations about the way to use space proposed by the German rocket pioneer Hermann Oberth in his book By Rockets into Interplanetary Space, written in 1923.

His idea remained un-recognized until Lyman Spitzer, now of Princeton University, recommended it in 1946 and when one of the first scientific studies prepared for Nasa after its founding in 1958 identified a space observatory as natural long-range goal. Preliminary design work began in 1973.

· In addition to an undisturbed view of visible light, the telescope can also collect the ultra-violet and infra-red radiation blocked by the atmosphere. When the project got underway fully in 1978, launch was expected in 1984.



The £1 billion telescope, delayed by a Shuttle fault

# Electric car age dawns

he day of the practical electric car may have dawned with the invention in Japan of a battery that

can be recharged in 10 seconds and which produces 20 times more power for its weight than conventional batteries. Existing car hatteries need eight or more hours to recharge (Joe Joseph, in Tokyo, writes).

Isuzu Motors, the Japanese carmaker which developed the powerful, lightweight battery with Fuji Electrochemical Company, expects to start commercial sales in two years. They have produced an experimental 1.2 volt, coin-

sized version of the battery. But Isuzu Motors is already tinkering on an electric car design using its new invention. It hopes that the battery's short recharging time and its expanded power can snap the leash that has tied most electric cars to the drawing

Present car batteries are bulky and need several hours

almost everlasting and can be

A battery the size of a coin is being tested by scienists

in Japan

made in any shape. It could be attached to a car's bumper or

The companies have mentioned home appliances and cars as potential uses, but industry analysts say application details are fuzzy, and so are technical specifics, such as the batteries' lifetimes.

The battery, in the near term, is likely to give a jumpstart mainly to such specialized electric-powered vehicles as golf carts, mail cars, and forklifts, some analysts said.But the long-term goal is for the car market.

According to the Isuzu spokesman, the new battery is about one-twentieth the recharge. weight of present batteries,
Isuzu says its version is and would probably cost less; key factors in making the

Isuzu's associate, General

Motors, unveiled an experimental electric car called Imnact last year, and is studying its commercial feasibility. "Isuzu's battery with GM's

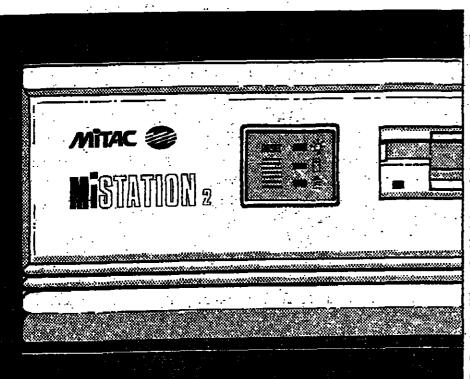
car could put the two companies in the lead in the race to commercialize the electric car." says Stephen Marvin, auto analyst at Jardine Fleming Securities. "The new battery of itself

does not make the electric car feasible but it could provide the basis for further reasearch that could bring the commercialization of the electric car closer," Mr Marvin adds. Most auto companies are

working to develop such a car, which would not directly rely on the fuels that release harm ful gases into the air. But the day when drivers

can fill up their batteries with "juice" at their local service station is still distant.

The test speeds of existing prototypes are less than 30 kilometres (18 miles) an hour and prices are astronomical.



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#### **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

# Postmen foil the arsonists

n alarming increase in arson attacks, particularly on council houses, has led the Post Office to launch a range of letterboxes that automatically extinguish fires. Many inner city authorities are fitting them to the front doors of tenants at risk.

The letterbox opening is the weakest point of a house, and it is easy to pour petrol through it and throw in a match. The fumes from such a fire can rapidly fill a home with lethal effect, particularly if the occupants are asleep.
Families threatened with attack

have sometimes barricaded themselves inside so effectively that firemen cannot get in to rescue them.

The devices to frustrate the arsonist, developed for the Post Office by Autoguard Security Systems of Colchester, Essex, cost about £90.

A cannister of halon gas, which blankets flames, is mounted in the top of the metal mailbox fitted to the inside of the front door. If a fire is started, the heat shatters a glass phial and the gas is released.

been given provisional

approval and an experi-ment should take place this

year. It will demonstrate a

possible cure for a disease

caused by a defective gene by

replacing it with a donated

Chris Partridge on a letterbox which the Post Office says will provide protection against arson attacks

Because halon is heavier than air, it collects in the mailbox and sits there until the box is opened. Often, an arsonist will try again

when he sees that the first attempt has failed, but the lingering gas will frustrate a renewed attack.

More sophisticated versions, costing £250, that can sniff petrol vapour and release the gas before the fire even starts are available to protect the mailboxes of banks and building societies, which are not often attacked but can contain valuable documents.

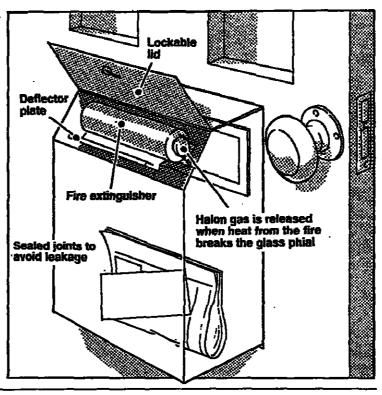
The other application for the device is inside pillar boxes, a favourite target (three or four are set alight every weekend in Birming-

ham alone). The halon extinguisher is so effective that a postman opening the box to make a collection would not realize that an attack had been made but for a flashing red light indicating that the gas cannister needs replacing.

Autoguard says the only draw-back is that halon is an environmentally unfriendly CFC gas. But it points out that if a home went up in flames the gases created would have a far greater effect on the ozone layer than the halon. However, the problem will be cured later this year when the halon is replaced by an ICI ozone-friendly gas.

The new mailbox had to pass tests devised by one of the most experienced team of scientists in the design of high security systems. Protection of the Royal Mail be-came a job of a specialist investigation team created by the Post Office almost 200 years ago to reduce the incidence of robbery.

Prevention of present-day crime calls on a battery of forensic services, computer-based analysis, tamper-proof security devices and 250 detectives.



An experiment in human gene therapy is likely this year, John Newell writes

# Hope on immune horizon

The American National Inganism to another for years, immune system disorders way with the wanted gene, the stitutes of Health has approved Human genes shifted into faba gene therapy proposal for oratory cell cultures are being treating children born with the used to make the substances rare disease known as the that protect our bodies against "bubble baby syndrome". disease outside the body for use

These children have no natural as medical drugs. defence against infection and must live in a sterile environ-ment. one species of plant to another, or even from bacteria or fungi There are other disorders of into plants, to give crops valuthe immune system, in which a able properties such as resisdefective gene stops some of tance to disease or to herbicides the white blood cells which which could not be provided by normally protect us against conventional plant breeding. disease from working properly, "Transgenic" sheep have

disease from working properly, "Transgenic" sheep have that are expected to become the been bred with human genes added to make the sheep If successful, the group of produce valuable substances, blood disorders such as such as the clotting factors haemophilia and thalassaemia needed to treat baemophilia. But human gene therapy anaemia caused by genetic

defects - are likely to be the development that excites tackled by gene therapy. and sometimes frightens people The scope for gene therapy most of all - is still to come. At has widened so much that a recent London meeting of scientists, Professor Richard scientists now are researching Mulligan, of Massachusetts Inways to use it to prevent or to treat diseases, including coro-stitute of Technology, an nary heart disease and cancer. acknowledged leader in gene Genes have been shifted therapy development, says it defective in the human patient. ies and coronary heart diseases problem routinely from one living or- will first be used to treat. After being infected in this — it is possible to lower blood. As we

caused by genetic defects, bone marrow will be grown in These disorders are incurable and often fatal and the technology needed for their treatment has already been developed.

Such conditions are some-Genes are being moved from times treated by killing the patient's own bone marrow, the tissue where the white cells are made, using radiation or toxic healthy bone marrow from a 15 years. related donor into the patient to produce healthy white blood

> Gene therapy for such conditions will be performed by taking a sample of the patient's own bone marrow, growing it liver. Defective genes in liver in the laboratory and infecting cells cause several common the bone marrow with a virus called a retrovirus which naturally inserts its own genes into the cell it infects.

some of its genes and inserting sion of the gene which is

culture and then reimplanted in the patient. The hope is that it will supply enough healthy, normal white blood cells to cure the condition.

Prof Mulligan says he expects to see such techniques being used for the first time within three years and making chemicals, and transplanting a major medical impact in 10 or

> li the techniques re-quired have already Deen tested in mice. After bone marrow, the next target for gene therapy is the

Prof Mulligan's team has shown that by inserting the then be grafted on to the patient correct version of the gene into and hopefully will supply the The retrovirus used will be only 5 per cent of the cells of the missing growth hormone by rendered harmless by removing liver of a rabbit affected by diffusion down into blood veshypercholesterolaemia - very in their place the correct ver- high levels of blood cholesterol causing hardening of the arter- used because of rejection

cholesterol levels by 30 per cent. Research is now showing that it will not always be necessary to put the wanted genes into the part of the body affected by a disease.

Professor Howard Green, of the Harvard Medical School, is planning to treat dwarfism, caused by a deficiency of the growth hormone normally produced by the pituitary gland, by implanting genes for growth hormones into skin grafts. The plan is to remove a small sample of skin cells from the patient and to insert the growth hormone gene into them using a retrovirus.

Then the cells will be grown in tissue culture until there are enough of them to provide a sizeable sheet of skin. This will sels below the surface of the skin. Donor skin cannot be

As well as treating many of

signal genetic defects, which affect about 5 per cent of people, gene therapy may even-tually become the preferred means of treating and preventing forms of cancer and heart disease. It could happen within our children's lifetin

But is it safe? Prof Mulligan has carried out tests and believes there is no risk that retroviruses used to carry new genes into cells might cause infectious diseases or cancer. Another concern is that such viruses might trigger the effects of oncogenes, the genes which can cause cancer if they are stimulated to act in the wrong

place or at the wrong time. No sign of any such effects has been seen in 2,000 test tube experiments, but more precautions are still needed.

But Prof Mulligan and others point out that the risks of gene therapy, when it is first used to treat fatal and incurable diseases, will certainly be less than those of other treatments when they were used for incurable cancers for the first time.

● John Newell is BBC World Services science editor and author of The Gene Shifters, published by W. H. Allen in September 1989

SCIENCE REPORT

# A foxy look at distant origins

A netic "fingerprinting" which is used to
else identical twins. This
else identical twins that settle paternity suits can help biologists work out evolutionary relationships between small populations of animals cast adrift on islands, according to a report in today's Nature (vol.

344, pp. 764-766).
Genetic fingerprinting, invented by Alec Jeffreys, of the University of Leicester, depends on identifying short pieces of genetic material that carry repetitive sequences of generic information. When a samle is "teased out" in the laboratory, the fingerprints show up as a distinctive pattern of bands like a bar code on a can of beans. Genetic mutation results in slight changes in the fingerprint pattern, which can be passed from generation to mation, Mr Wayne and his

encration. In large popula-tions in which any two individuals are unlikely to be related to one another, these inherited genetic changes mean that the fingerprints tend to be similar within families

 hence the application in evolutionary change. paternity disputes. But Robert Wayne, from the University of California

at Los Angeles, and col-leagues from the US National Cancer Institute in Maryland, show that things are very different for small populations in which the result of a long period of average degree of relatedness between individuals is likely to be higher. Mr Wayne and his col-

leagues have been studying for only several thousand small populations of the years — a mere eye-blink in California Channel Island fox, Urocyon littoralis, on six islands off the Californian coast. Foxes from the the genetic changes that same island all have similar prints, but these are distinct from those of the foxes on diverge, the start of the the other islands. The foxes process whereby distinct on one island had identical fingerprints. In most animal populations, identical

technique called ge-netic "fingerprint- from the same animal, or lack of variation shows that the foxes on each island are remarkably inbred. This implies, in turn, that particular genetic sequences can spread through the population more quickly than new ones can arise by mutation.

The researchers could usually tell which population a fox came from simply by looking at the fingerprints: these showed up some bands that were only ever present in foxes from a particular island

Mr Wayne's team could also work out which populations were the most similar genetically, by looking for the amount of overlap between their finger-prints. Using this infor-

colleagues were able to draw up an "evolut-ionary tree" showing how the six populations are related. Small, isolated populations of animals, such as those on islands. are known to be hotbeds

Charles Darwin's theory was shaped by his experiences in the Galapagos archipelago, where he noticed the subtle differences between similar species of finch found on different islands. Darwin saw the separate evolution, but the different populations of California Channel Island foxes have been separated

evolutionary terms. The new findings may give biologists a window on happen in small populations just as they start to

Peter Aldhous

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#### **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

Pearce Wright reports on a coastal wonder

# Critics trım magic grass

American cousin gave birth to a reclamation, with the bonus that it new species, Spartina anglica. This provided good grazing sturdy, salt-tolerant and, until rehectare, has suddenly become a centre of attention and concern.

The unusual botanical union can be traced to the salt marshes fringing the Solent estuary in the south of England, and it has had a profound effect on the ecology of the habitats to which it has spread, naturally and by deliberate introductions in temperate regions of the north and southern hemispheres.

Thirteen research groups which have studied its origins and propagation present their findings in Spartina anglica: A Research Review, published by the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology of the Natural Environment Research Council.

The new strain of cordgrass dominated the lower intertidal zones of mudflats and salt marshes,

chance sexual encounter, just over 100 years ago, between a variety of cordgrass growing in Europe and its North soon became a useful plant in land

Its use in stabilizing shorelines is cently, sale-instant and, then re-cently, welcome offspring, which could be harvested to yield 16 tonnes of dried leaf and stalk per recently, additional benefits have come from its ability to grow in oilpolluted areas, such as estuaries with oil refineries.

But the prospect of a erosion of coastlines caused by rising sea levels associated with global warming casts doubt on the further usefulness of the species, according to Alan Gray and Pauline Benham, from the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology's Furzebrook Research Station, at Wareham in Dorset

Possible harmful effects include the invasion of wader and wildfowl feeding grounds and the displace-ment of more diverse plant commu-nities by swards of this single species. The reduction in diversity is a matter of concern for nature conservationists because, com-pounded with pressures of land and

combination of genetic make-up



Locations of the salt marshes where the grass is flourishing

New technique may unscramble our past

# History of modern man in an eggshell

dating prehistoric objects Washington, and colleagues. adopted by a team of American scientists.

humans began to eat ostrich storing water and for adornment. It fills a vital gap between the ranges provided by radiocarbon dating and the analysis of potassium-argon ratios in samples (Pearce Wright writes).

The results, involving researchers from five universities, show that the technique can determine ages to within 10 per cent accuracy for sites within the last 200,000 years in the tropics and within the last one million years in colder

regions, such as China.
The scientists believe a modified version involving analysis of owl eggs and the remnants of other avian species could be appropriate for investigations in Europe.

Eggshells of the African ostrich were the first to be used because they were common in archaeological sites in

SOME OF the most bitter Africa, according to a report disputes over exactly when from Professor A. S. Brooks, anatomically modern humans of the department of evolved may be resolved by an anthropology of the George intriguing new method of Washington University,

They describe in the magazine Science how the method The technique relies on the was first tested in laboratory fact that two million years ago simulations of aging. Analyses were then made of material eggs and use their shells for from documented sites and compared with data obtained with a variety of established

procedures. The focus of most debate is on the dating of the sites, hominid fossils and artefacts of associated archaeological industries from Africa and the Near East, covering the period from 40,000 years to 200,000 years. This is thought to be the epoch which holds the secrets of the biological and cultural origins of modern man.

Many fossil discoveries of this period have been dated provisionally on circumstantial evidence. Local variables make this method uncertain, however. The alternative ap-proach based on the ostrich eggshell relies on the slow changes which occur in protein molecules in the shell. These changes are influenced by time and temperature.

#### **Eating** to live

A diet that is claimed to extend life span by 50 per cent is being studied by American

gerontologists at the National Institute of Aging, in Bethesda, Maryland. It allegedly prevents heart disease, diabetes and kidney failure, retards all types of cancer, eliminates or forestalls many of the usual banes of including cataracts and feebleness - and keeps the mind supple and the body spry to an almost biblical old age. On a microscopic level, the diet protects the genes against environmental insults, keeps important enzymes operating at peak efficiency and cuts back on dangerous metabolic byproducts in the body. And the dieter stays slim. Very, very slim.

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These claims are not phan-tasms, but the results of astonishing studies that have captured attention among scientists in the fields of aging, toxicology, oncology and other disciplines. In labanimals raised on a meal plan containing all the necessary vitamins and other nutrients, but only 60 to 65 per cent of the calories of the animal's normal diet, live significantly longer than expected.

By nearly all measures, from the health of the creature's organs and the robustness of its immune system to the histrous apearance of its fur, the animal on the restricted diet maintains the vigour of youth long after the well-fed control animals have become weak, sluggish and grizzled; indeed, long after the controls have died. Laboratory mice fed the restricted diet, for example, have lived to 55 months. The average life span of lab mice eating a normal diet, in which they consume as much as they

want to, is about 36 months. "The outcome of caloric restriction is spectacular," says Richard Weidruch, a gerontologist at the National Institute of Aging. "Gerontologists have tried many things to extend life span, but this is the only one that consistently works in the

Much to their surprise, researchers have found that it does not matter whether the sharply restricted diet is composed largely of fat or of carbohydrates. As long as the animal receives a minimum amount of protein and enough vitamins and minerals to prevent mainutrition, the creature survives to the same venerable old age.

But researchers warn against people undertaking an ascetic regimen too hastily. They stress that experimental animals are fed carefully measured and planned menus and that it is easy to become malnourished.

"At this point, I definitely would not recommend a calorie-restricted diet for people," says Dr Angelo Turturro, a biologist at the National Cenbiologist at the National Center for Toxicological Research ment said field tests would not in Jefferson, Arkansas. "There pose an agricultural or human are still too many unknowns."

#### BRIEFING

Cold relief

Rheumatism sufferers in a West Berlin hospital are being offered a radical new form of treatment. They will be subjected to temperatures of minus 180 degrees Celsius, twice as cool as the coldest tem-perature found naturally on

A liquid nitrogen generator produces liquid air, which is stored in a vaccuum-insulated

This is then used to cool a fresh air stream for a cryother-apy chamber, which patients enter for a few minutes three times a day over a period of

The intense cold relieves the rheumatic pain in the affected joints, and the consequent improved mobility assists the restoration of damaged bone tissue, according to Sulzer (UK) Ltd, the company in Aldershot, Hampshire, which is supplying the equipment to the Immanuel Hospital in

#### Diet for two

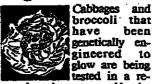
A woman's diet around the gators have discovered that time of conception and the first three months of pregnancy is more important in determining the weight, head circumference and length and therefore overall health diet in the latter six months of pregnancy, according to a study in the Journal of Nu-tritional Medicine, a new medical journal published last

> The conclusions are based on a study of 513 pregnant women by the Nuffield Laboratories of Comparative Medicine at the Institute of Zoology in London.

It showed that lower intakes of vitamins B1 and B3, magnesium and iron around the time of conception and the first three months of preg-nancy were associated with lower birthweights.

Women giving birth to babies with a head circumference of less than 23 centimetres were associated with lower intakes of vitamins, minerals and fibre.

#### Light relief



glow are being tested in a re-United States government.
Professor Joseph Shaw, of
Auburn University, Alabama,
transferred a set of genes
having a code for bioluminescence from a marine organism into bacteria that cause black rot, a major disease of plants in the cabbage and broccoli

After infection by the luminescent bacteria, the diseased parts of the plant glow, allowing scientists to trace the progress of the disease without destroying the plants, Professor Shaw says.

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#### SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

# Why China launched a second-hand American satellite

he development of the United States space Shuttle put the idea of the reusable launch vehicle into practice. The Chinese have now demonstrated the notion of the reusable space satellite.

When China celebrated its entry into the commercial space business this month, with the launch of a communications and television satellite called Asiasat 1, for a Hong Kong-based international consortium, one of the more extraordinary technical aspects of the venture received little recognition. It had already been into space.

There were also significant political hurdles to be surmounted because Asiasat, launched mainly for communications and broadcasting television channels for China, Thailand, Pakistan and Hong Kong, was built by America's Hughes Aircraft Corporation.

Clearance for its launch on a Chinese Long March-3 rocket became threatened by American sanc-tions imposed after the Beijing

Asiasat's first journey into space

A satellite stranded in orbit and then

recovered has made

a new journey into space, reports

Pearce Wright

was under the name Westar 6. It was one of two built by the Hughes corporation and carried into orbit on Shuttle Mission 10 in February

Unfortunately, the motors of both Westar 6 and its sister satellite Palapa B2 failed to propel them high enough to reach the geostationery position necessary for a permanent communications satellite, and they became stranded in a useless low-earth orbit where they wallowed for nine months.

Since the motor used on Wester 6 had a successful record, the customer for whom Palapa B2 was to be launched, the Indonesian government, was asked if it wanted the mission to continue.

Returning it to earth would have cost \$10 million (£6.2 million) and involved Nasa in a landing for which it was not prepared.

The attempt to launch was agreed.

but again failed While the customers collected their insurance, totalling \$180 million (£111 million), the cost of satellite premiums increased by about 12 per cent.

two satellites was mitigated, nevertheless, by the spectacular demonstration on the same mission of the Manned Manoeuvring Unit for untethered flight. In a remarkable rescue, Shuttle

Mission 10 recovered Westar 6 and

its Palapa B2, and they were

refurbished and resold at bargain

Disappointment at the loss of the

Both satellites belong to one of the most widely used family of communications satellites. They are 9ft tall when loaded on their launch

Personal video players will soon be widely available in Europe, but

solar panels and folding antennae are released, they measure 22ft.

Recovery of the satellites was probably the most demanding task conducted by an untethered astrovehicle, but when their telescopic naut. It was achieved with a device called a "stinger" which was locked on to the spacecraft so the satellites could be drawn into the cargo bay. A similar effort will be repeated next week if the Hubble space telescope

market, the company has just

launched a £1,300 VHS port-

able that will play video tapes

But the real challenge is to

make personal video cheap

enough for the mass market.

Personal videos can never

from anywhere in the world.

# The freeing-up of Eastern skills

democracies are

exchanging IT staff for hard currency

nitish computer services companies are turning to the emerging democracies of Eastern Europe for alternative sources of information technology staff.

Discussions have been held with state-owned IT organizations in the Eastern Bloc and one British recruitment agency is holding talks with the Polish Government to create "a migration route" for IT staff to contract in the UK.

UK companies complain of difficulties in recruiting skilled staff, while Poland, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia are seen as having plenty of highly qualified technical graduates. These countries are keen to contract their IT staff in return for foreign currency as they seek to restructure their

Some see them as having the potential to provide a rival to Asia, which has succeeded in undercutting costs in the West through cheaper wages. Already large software projects are being offloaded to India and Malaysia.

The advantage of Eastern Europe is its proximity but some British union officials are concerned that it could pose a threat to staff here if companies impose employment conditions not acceptable in the West.

One drawback is that the level of IT skills available in Eastern Europe lags behind, but Western computer companies are opening offices in droves and offering training.

Hungary recently gave a presentation to the UK's Computing Services Associ-ation (CSA), at their invitation, to improve links with British IT companies. Ervin Kovacs, director of

the state-owned Szalak, the largest software house in Hungary, which employs 1,300 IT employees, says there is a

Europe's emerging computer staff of about 20,000 in Hungary – about the size of the UK's IT contractor workforce - and they are

accelerating training. He says they have no intention of undercutting salaries in the West, but are rather seeking to help overcome recruitment problems in exchange for Western currency.

The biggest part of our business is exporting people to take part in software devlopment projects in mostly West Germany but also France though the interest from British companies has been good," Mr Kovacs said. Computer services com-

panies are open to these proposals as they say they need more skilled staff than they can find locally. One factor holding back the trend is that Eastern Bloc

countries are barred from using advanced systems under Western governments CoCom regulations, the body which controls high-technology exports.
This means that there are

few with experience of the latest software and hardware, although Mr Kovacs says that Eastern European countries have gained access to "grey software", or copies. But leading computer

suppliers are rapidly forming relationships with organizations in the Eastern Bloc and will be training employees in the latest IT skills.

ICL formed a joint com-pany in Leningrad last year which employes 70 staff.

Digital Equipment has formed a joint company with two of Hungary's leading engineering organizations.

Oracle, the software supplier, has signed an agreement with a Hungarian software house and Czechoslovakian academic institute.

However, some Eastern Europeans are not content to wait for companies to get these reements off the ground. The management consultancy Ernst & Young had a reply for an IT executive position from a Russian researcher in Moscow. He mentioned his extensive experience in IT and

willingness to relocate". Leslie Tilley

# Video players with a personal touch example. And, with an eye to the international business

IN JAPAN, people are usin tiny video recorders with built-in television screens to watch video programmes on trains, buses and planes. It is all part of an evolving "video hifestyle" which takes the medium into the growing world of personal computers, stereos

Ten years ago, the electronics company Sony introduced its Walkman personal stereo unit which allowed its users to play music tapes almost anywhere. Electronics companies are now talking about personal video players. They range from palm-sized units to machines the size and weight of a lap-top computer.

JVC, for example, is planning to launch a modular video system made of several components - including a

would-be buyers may find them too costly. George Cole reports video camera, television Last year, Sony released the Video Walkman in Europe for screen and video recorder -£800. It is about the size of a than can be used separately or slotted together to form a

complete video unit. All the systems play pre-recorded tapes and allow users record television programmes - some even include a miniature video camera that can be worn on a belt or headband. Most also include built-in speakers and head-

phone plugs. The first systems were launched in Japan in 1987, with first-year sales totalling 10,000 units. Industry estimates put this year's sales at ttearer 360,000 units.

thick paperback book, runs on batteries or mains and displays its pictures on a fourinch flat television screen. Other companies are promising to launch similar products

But, despite the variety of personal videos available, the market has grown slowly because they are far too expensive for general use and there is a bewildering range of video

Personal video is a threehorse race, with electronics companies backing several in-

ible systems. Apart from the confusion it creates, the standards war is likely to make consumers uneasy about committing themselves to a format that might become obsolete - like Sony's Betamax and Philips' V2000 video systems

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personal video is the transport world. Companies paint a picture of commuters using pocket-sized machines to watch last night's programmes on the morning train, or parents keeping their children entertained on long car

already being used on Japan Airlines and Virgin to provide in-flight entertainment for first and business-class passengers. Several other airlines, evaluating these systems, while in Japan they are used on some Japanese sleeper trains and taxis. But Sony expects them to be used in other areas, such as libraries, video rental shops, travel Electronics company Hitachi hopes personal videos will

market, for sales presentations

Personal video systems are

match the price of personal including British Airways, are stereos because the players use complex and expensive tape mechanisms. Most person videos cost about £1,000 because manufacturers incorporate all the features found on a standard video deck, agents, hotels and hospitals. also be used in the business

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# APPOINTMENTS

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# Working the world

I he days when experience gathered beyond our shores was considered a career interruption are over. Young professionals heading for work overseas know their determination will be seen not as opting out but as opting in.

A report from Voluntary Service Overseas, "The VSO Effect", says service in another country produces people who are adaptable, responsible and tenacious, people who can manage people and communicate with them' In a Third World country, the scale of responsibility thrust on a

novice can be enormous, which is why one returner, typically, claimed VSO gave him "outstanding management experience . . . supervising projects and taking decisions"

The spin-offs are endorsed in the report by Valerie Singleton, a television and radio broadcaster, who believes that if Britain is going to participate fully in post-1992 Europe, "the ability to deal with people from different cultural backgrounds is vital".

Earlier retirement, increasing job changes and extended secondments provide chances to go abroad to use marketable skills to enhance quality of life, as well as

Young professionals heading for jobs overseas are not opting out. Ann Hills

for monetary gain. A senior development officer from BP in northwest Europe is now with VSO as a foundry manager in Ghana. A retired NHS information manager

is using his talent in Grenada. Workers can get down to the roots of local resources. For example, the allo is a wild nettle found under forest cover at high altitudes in Nepal. A report on its potential says that its fibre, in addition to being woven into warm clothing, could be processed

perhaps, for export. With such potential, the nettle may eventually boost the eco-nomic position of families in remote hill areas. But technical expertise and substantial re-

as cloth for regional use and,

sources will be needed. The report was published by the Intermediate Technology Development Group (ITDG), a charity with about 150 staff worldwide and modern headquarters in

Rugby, Warwickshire.
ITDG's origins stem from the

reports on the various positive spin-offs late small-is-beautiful thinker Dr E. E. Schumacher, who preached that Third World technology should be appropriate, whether for rural communities in India, Latin America, or city slums.

As its 25th anniversary looms in 1991, ITDG is, as Dr Schumacher intended, a professional meeting point employing western skills to improve tools of the trade in poor countries, without imposing western standards. Innovation springs from collaboration in the field. "ITDG," explains Megan Jones, the group's press spokeswoman, "is often merely the catalyst for

changes." The necessary skills and sensitivity have become the backbone of new careers for already experienced overseas volunteers, engineers, textile crafts people, nutritionists and economists. Recent recruits include civil and mining engineers, socio-economists, specialists in fisheries and food processing, a veterinarian and a carpenter.

• There is an increasing number of courses for the career-minded. The British Council publishes an updated list of rural development courses in Britain. ITDG also publishes educational guidance with lists of sister organizations that employ staff. The magazine, Appropriate Technology, gives the flavour of work internationally. It is available from the IT bookshop at 103 Southampton Row, London WC1B 4HH (01-436 9761).

For details of courses and events and the updated leaflet on \*Employment in Appropriate Technology", send an A4 envel-ope with a 24p stamp to the Intermediate Technology Develop-ment Group, Myson House, Rail-way Terrace. Rugby CV21 3HT (0788 60631).

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Kathryn Clarke went to the Philippines with VSO

#### WHAT'S COOKING

O KATHRYN CLARKE, 38, was in an office in the Intermediate Technology Development Group's Rugby headquarters. Having gone from a London University degree in nutrition to being marketing manager with Milupa, a leading baby food company, she went to the Philippines three years ago with Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO). There she used her marketing skills to advise on raising credit for small businesses. She came up against the problems of adapting small-scale technology to larger enterprises, such as making sweets.

"VSO was a preparation for a job in development," Ms Clarke says. She has since taken on a number of responsibilities at ITDG. In Sri Lanka, she, organized an international seminar on urban stoves. This is based on a project to create production facilities and a market for 100,000 [pe]-efficient stoves a year.

She believes that what is wanted is not a "techno-fix" solution, but technology responsive to local needs. In Bangladesh, for example, a project which processes sugar cane brings employment to landless rural women.

O PAUL CALVERT, a 31-year-old mechanical engineer, is leaving Rugby to spend a year as technical manager for fisheries and the boat development programme in Kerala, India.

He will work with the South Indian Federation of Fishermen's Societies, which represents 4,000 men, helping develop plywood boats to replace vessels made from now-rare mango logs.

# THE PUBLIC SECTOR

# An escape route from your chosen career

particularly those where the plot focuses on a daring escape. Every POW camp seems to have had its own escape committee composed of heroes prepared to risk their lives in order to outsmart their captors and get away.

When I came across an organization based in Cornwall called The Escape Committee, I wondered at first whether it was a club where veteran escapees could reminisce about the exploits of

their youth. But it turned out to be a group of people seeking to escape from their careers into more promising fields.

have to admit to being a devotee of films about the Second World War, reticularly those where the ot focuses on a daring the focuses on a daring the focuses of reorganizing its educational services. Mr Wilson and a number of his colleagues felt that any change would repre-sent a change for the worse, so they organized The Escape Committee.

> The idea was to help those dissatisfied in the education service to explore other career options and to provide exam-ples of people who had changed careers successfully.

In 1986 he launched his newsletter, and not long after he made his own escape and headed for Cornwall. Since then he has been working from his Zennor base with a teachers. distrust the up- list a growing number of civil Instances of tax inspectors who move over to the private who move over to the private sector to become consultants are common, but we hear less get up and go, the committee

Changing your occupation need not be about professionals in other impossible, Roger Jones writes

part-time staff providing help for other would-be escapees. He also runs a help-line and a mail order book service.

At first his attention was directed at disillusioned teachers, of whom about one in three has considered moving out of education, according to a recent survey by the NUT. More recently the scope has been extended to all branches of the public sector.

This is a shrewd move on Mr Wilson's part, since there heavals in their organizations and feel their work is undervalued. Many are willing to relinquish a secure salary to

embark on a career that offers greater fulfilment. In the case of Joy and Ian Plumb, it was yet another reorganization of their county social services department that prompted their "escape". The couple, both in their fifties, now run a garden furniture business in the West

parts of the public sector who opt for a change of direction. What options are there for environmental health officers. for example?

got wind of reorganization plans for his department has become a manager in a local brewery. He is now perfectly content to maintain standards of hygiene in his own establishment rather than enforce his views on others.

One former EHO who had

It may sound as if The Escape Committee is part of a seditious undercover operation that aims to undermine the public services by enis doing both its clients and the public sector a favour.

There is nothing worse for an organization than to be staffed by a posse of time-servers - people who are no longer motivated by their jobs but plod on to the end in order not to jeopardize their pension rights. This applies to the private sector as well, and explains why some firms seem to be less innovative and enterprising than others.

The flow of expertise does not have to be only from the public to the private sector.

Roger Jones is the author of How to get a job abroad (Northcote House) 18.95.

The Escape Committee is at Tregeraint House, Zennor, Cornwall TR26 3BD (0736 797001).

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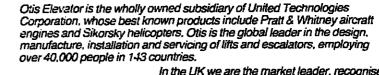
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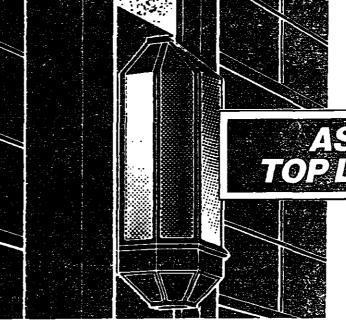
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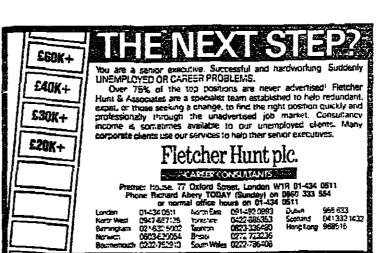
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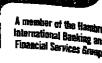


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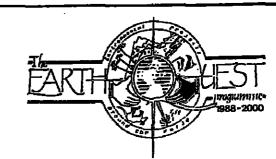
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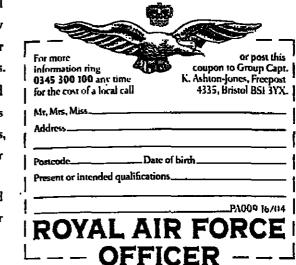
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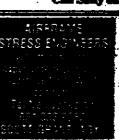
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Yet the first suggestions that perhaps things have not changed after all are now being made. There has been an upsurge in the number of strikes, most notably in the engineering sector, and wage award levels have started to set the Government's nerves a-jangle.

George Bain, principal of London Business School and ar academic working in the indus-trial relations field, believes it may be a little early to be certain of where the trend is leading, but undoubtedly things will be different. The question is how far changes in industrial-relations practice during the 1980s will

Professor Bain says: "Industrial relations in many areas are driven by many things and combinations of things. But you can put these under two broad headings—economics and politics, and often, of course, those are related.

"So when people began saying in the early 1980s that there was some kind of new realism, a permanent shift, and that trade unions had gone out of fashion. I did not believe it. The advent of Mrs Thatcher and monetarist economics together with massive driving the change then."

And the renewed upsurge in industrial action, Prof Bain argues, is also a direct response to changing circumstances.

"I do not think we will see a return to 1970s-style militancy," he says. "But if we really are The 1980s were a crucial decade for changing

attitudes in industrial relations. But how longlasting will those changes be and what is the outlook for

the 1990s? George Bickerstaffe talks to George Bain (right), principal of **London Business School** 

coming to a period of changing economics and a changing political situation, I predict there will be changes in industrial relations,

"Strikes, for example, are determined by the level of prices and real wages. When you get inflation, you get militancy and industrial action; workers seek to protect their standard of living."

The recent higher level of wage awards by companies is a response to this, and is, Prof Bain says, one of the few strategies that companies can adopt, especially those affected by skills shortages or demographic influences.

"Strikes are only one part of industrial relations," he says. "If you look back at the 1980s, you can see the growth of closer relations between companies and employees. Companies have taken a more strategic approach to the whole area of human resource management. They have realized that the only sustainable competitive advantage they have is their employees - almost everything else can be quickly copied.

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Prof Bain believes that a not dissimilar change in attitude also swept through trade unions in the 1980s in the way they related to their members. They began to consider them customers or clients rather than "cannon fodder". That is likely to be a permanent change, Prof Bain believes.

imilarly, he thinks that many union leaders, and the Labour Party, if it returns to power, will be re-luctant to give up Conservative legislation on union activity. "If you ask why Mrs Thatcher was successful in introducing industrial legislation where Mr Heath failed," he says, "I think the answer is the economic context and the fact that Mrs Thatcher learnt from previous mistakes. She introduced laws piecemeal, rather than trying to bring in everything in one single bill.
"In 1979, I would not have learn to live with the law. The 1980s once and for all changed union attitudes to the law. They have accepted its inevitability in industrial relations, and to some extent have learnt how to turn it to their advantage, as in strike ballots and some other areas. I think that is a permanent shift, too. I do not see any going back."

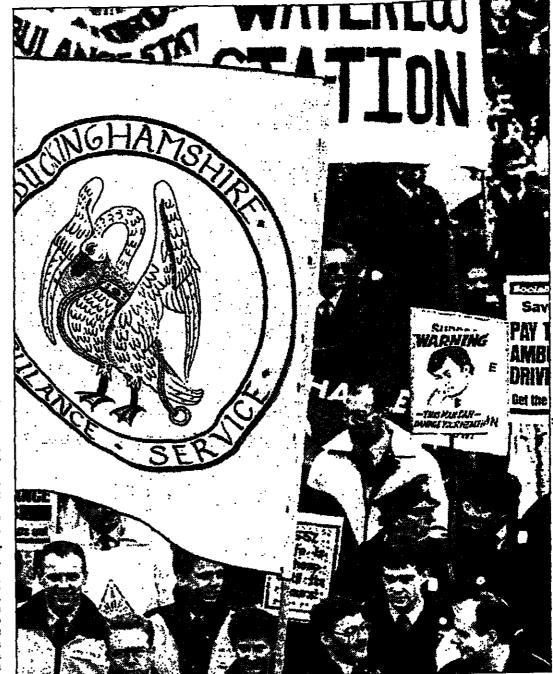
This new-found fondness for legal solutions will have important political and economic conse-quences, Prof Bain says. Regulations from Brussels will, he thinks, increasingly affect British industrial relations.

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## England use their Argentina tour as stepping-stone

Rugby Correspondent

ENGLAND, who will announce their preliminary World Cup squad next week, will treat their summer tour to Argentina as a substantial development step on the ladder towards success in the 1991 tournament. The national selectors confirmed this intention by announcing yes-terday a squad of 29 for the tour - which includes two full internationals - of whom 13 players have yet to be capped.

The size of the squad is three more than the normal number for a short tour, so one of the main exercises will be to ensure that every player is given a decent opportunity during the seven matches in Argentina, the first on July 14 and the last on August 4. Roger Utiley, the coach, said: "We wanted to have the maximum number so that we can work in an intense atmosphere. Off-the-field work is at least as important as the fixtures outside the two tests."

Selection was limited by the career. unavailability of nine internationals, of whom only Andy Mullins, the Harlequins prop, comes into the development category; of that nine, Mark Bailey and Simon Halliday are international rugby next sea-

England squad

BACKS: Full backs: S. D. Hodg-kinson (Nottingham); J. Liley (Lecester). Wings: N. Healop (Orrell). C. J. Oti. (Wasps), T. Under-wood (Lecester). Centres: J. Buckton (Saracens), W. D. C. Carfing (Harlequins., Capt). F. J. Clough (Wasps), G. Thompson (Harlequins). Stand-off halves: P. Huff (Bristel), D. Pears (Harlequins). Scrim halves: Pears (Harlequins). Scrum halves: R J Hill (Bath), D Morris (Liverpool

FORWARDS: Props: J Leonard (Saracans), M S Linnett (Moseley), J A Probyn (Wasps), V Ubogu (Bath), Hookers: B C Moore (Nottingham), Hookers: B.C. Moore (Nottingham).
C.J. Olver (Harlequins). Locks: W.A.
Dooley (Preston Grasshoppers), R.
Kimmins (Orrell), S. O'Leary
(Wasps), N.C. Redman (Bath).
Flankers: A. Robinson (Bath), D.
Ryan (Wasps), M.G. Steinner (Harlequins), P. J. Winterbottom
(Harlequins), No. 8s: D. W. Egerton
(Bath), T. Rodber (Northampton).
TIMERARY: July 14: v. Banco ITINERARY: July 14: v Banco Nacon (Buenos Aires); July 18: v Tucuman Selection (Tucuman); July 21: v Buenos Aires Selection (BA); July 24: v Cuyo Selection (Mendoza); July 28: v Argentina (Buenos Ares); July 28: v Argentina (Buenos Ares). July 31: v Cordoba Selection (Cordoba); August 4: v Argentina (Buenos Ares).

period and may force a premature conclusion to his

self-inflicted, the selectors deciding that a summer off for Mike Teague, the Gloucester No. 8. and Paul Rendall, the Wasps prop, would be beneunlikely to be available for ficial. Teague has a grumbling ankle injury and Rendall, at son, Bailey because of limited 36 the only remaining playing time. Halliday because of link with the last England sustained trouble from an party to visit Argentina in ankle injury, which requires 1981, has reached the stage of treatment over a nine-month pacing himself if he wants to change his plans for a month.

## Protest could result in ban

disciplinary action for making an unprecedented protest about his points defeat in the ABA -finals in Blackpool on

Edwards, a light-heavyweight, grabbed the master of cere-mony's microphone after losing a majority decision to Joseph McCluskey, of Scotland and astonished the crowd by taking the opportunity to express his disgust at the verdict. Edwards, aged 32, also refused to collect

round. Officials are expected to look into the incident, and Chris Eubank the middleweight from Brighton, is to defend his WBC international title against Eduardo Contreras, of Argentina, at the Brighton Conference Centre on April 25, instead of his scheduled opponent Sanderline Williams, who has withdrawn from the contest after becoming involved in a contractual dispute with his

his loser's trophy.

Edwards felt he had done enough to deserve the verdict after forcing McCluskey to take

Barry Hearn, the promoter of the bout, said yesterday that the contest would be Eubank's last outing before challenging for a

summer." Hearn said. "I am in an advanced stage of discussion for Chris to fight Julian Jackson

LAKE TAHOE: George Foreman, the former world heavyweight champion, continned his comeback when he knocked out his fellow American, Mike Jameson, in the fourth round of a scheduled 10-round bout on Tuesday (Reuter reports). Foreman, aged 41, has won 21 successive bouts, mostly against low-ranked opponents, since returning to the ring in March, 1987, after a 10-year

place, though both can expect to be included in the World

Cup squad of around 45.

The availability of two uncapped players remains unknown: Sean O'Leary, the Wasps lock who was badly injured in a car accident in Liverpool at the weekend, has not had his invitation withdrawn, but the prospect of his being in a position to accept it must be limited. He has only just come out of the intensive care unit of the Arrowe Park Hospital in the Wirral.

"Our information is that his injuries are not so serious as to prevent him being considered at this time," Don Rutherford, the Rugby Football Union's technical administrator, said. "Obviously, we will leave the final decision to Sean and hope that he makes a speedy recovery." Raphael Tsagane O'Leary's club colleague, died in the same accident and Wasps will stage a minute's silence on Saturday before their game with Moseley.

Another Wasp, Dean Ryan, A further limitation was has been named as a flanker but is in New Zealand, where he intends to play club rugby this summer. For that reason, Ryan could not be included in the party to play in Italy on May I and, at the moment, he has no forwarding address; the RFU is working on the assumption that the prospect of playing for his country will be sufficient to make him

Tower of strength: Former London Marathon winners at Tower Bridge yesterday (left to right): Inge Simonson, Dick Hugh Jones, Grete Waitz, Mike Gratton, Charlie Spedding, Toshibiko Seko, Henrik Jorgenson, Douglas Wakiil

## London run has that something special

Simonsen will be aiming for

2hr 35min. "I will be running as a tourist," he said. When

you have run 2hr 11mm

48sec, that is how 2:35 must

By David Powell Athletics Correspondent

THE London Marathon may be lacking a John Kelley, but it is working on it. Kelley ran his 59th Boston Marathon on Monday, 62 years after his first; stories like that happen for events almost a century

to the England senior men's team, has kept together his squad from the British federa-

West European championships for the West European championships for the Spring Cup, which begin in Israel this weekend.

Shart Dunn (Team Mizuno Malory), who did not play in the three-match, series, against

three-match series against Switzerland in London last

weekend, because of a back injury, will travel with the party.

world record size field of some 25,000 on Sunday will be lining up on Blackheath for the tenth time. Once you have run one London, it is hard to

Inge Simonsen, the Norwegian who shared victory with Dick Beardsley, of the United States, in the inaugural race of Now London has reached 1981, is running his first the grand old age of 10 and is beginning to establish a history. Forty-six of the expected London, which provided him

at the recent BVF champion-ships in Glasgow but showed more encouraging formagainst

the Swiss. "We still have to work on our blocking but our game is coming together," Wil-liams said.

ENGLAND SCHAD: B Dobell (Feer Mizuro Malory), S Durin (Teem Mizzon Malory), P Bose (Teem Mizzon Malory), Deurs (Teem Mizzon Malory), A Pinca (Speedwall Ructanor), V Joyce (Speedwall Ructanor), S Fallerion (Star Anala), Neurium (Reebok Liverpool City), G Swill Malory (Reebok Liverpool City), G Swill

charge of English cricket? Yours faithfully, D.E. WILLIAMS.

way in which the game is now being played, with which many

Stables Cottage, Weald Manor, Bampton, Oxford.

Sir, A cure is argently required for the problems arising from lack of any sanctions for failure

lack of any senctions for failure to comply with the minimum over-rate in the final stages of a Test match. The solution seems to me glaringly obvious. Any overs not bowled should be carried over and bowled on what would normally be a rest

Cricketing colossi

From Mr Donald Bancroft
Sir, Simon Barnes (April 13)
demi-deifies Viv Richards as
"the most truly colossal cricketer since W.G. Grace". Has be

heard of Don Bradman, or Gary

Sobers, or even Ian Botham? Yours faithfully, DONALD BANCROFT, 23 Mill Road; North Lancing, Sussex.

wonder then that they spum the college crews and aim for a university based crew not only for the Boar Race but also for

Henley, the national champion-ships and the other major

The colleges do have a vital part to play in introducing conspersons to the sport and

providing a base where those who do not wish to sell their

soul and maybe their degree to

the river can enjoy messing about in boats. The college

captains, however, should not

complain when their best talent

leaves them for the cut-throat world of the university squads.

There is one other factor that

affects the standard of college

rowing and that is the bumping races. If less time and effort was

spent training for these oudated events and more time was spent training efficiently for main-

stream rowing events, the col-leges just might be able to tempt

some of the borderline cases back into the college fold.

The Embankment, SW15.

Yours sincerely,

London Rowing Club.

rowing regattas.

RAYNALD FRANKS,

Cure required

Yours truly, ANDREW WATSON,

Talton House, Newbold-on-Stour, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire.

From Sir Andrew Watson

The Old Post Office,

Howe Street,

will agree.

Great Waltham

feel. Beardsley envies him. He wants to run London again one day.

Six months ago, he slipped and fell into the power take-off shaft of a tractor, which took his whole body round several

with his only victory, was the covious choice. "I came close not just to losing my leg but my his — I losing my leg but my life — I stop to smell the roses a limite more often now," he said.

Of the 11 former wangers at yesterday's reunion — only Steve Jones, Hiromi Taniguchi and Ingrid Kristiansen were di three expect to figure prom-mently on Sunday.

High Jones, the 1982 win-ner, Mike Gratton (1983) and Henrik Jorgensen (1988) all

their best form for some time. What is so good about

London? "It's a good course and good sightseeing," Toshinko Seko sud. Seko is, not the average Japanese tourist who runs a bit. He got the view from the front in 1986, ben he was in 2hr 10min

Seko predicted a Japanese victory this year. He would; he

## Dunn has been passed Stiff test awaits Gillingham

holder at 200 metres breaststroke, will face a difficult ilenge from Hinngary on his first appearance siace returning to hard training after a dis-appointing Commonwealth

Games in January.
The presence of Karoly
Guttler, who lost the 100 metres gold medal to Adrian Moorhouse at the Secul Olymat the 11th annual Speedo meeting at the Empire Pool, Cardiff, on May 5, means that Gillingham faces a formidable

For the Birmingham swim-iner, who consiled the world record of 2mm 12.90sec for the 290 metres last year, only to be overtaken by a hundredth of a second by Michael Burrowman, of the United States, 36 hours later, the Speedo meeting will be an opportunity to crase the memories of Auckland, where his two bronze medals fell well about of the mental and to the short of the expected gold and

The Hungarian team will also include Krisztina Egeszegi, aged 15, the Olympic champion

at 200 metres backstroke, and the only well threat to Kristia Otto, the East German winner of five golds in Saoul, at the 100 metres distance.

Prisec. His time of 4min 0.89sec for the 400 medic freezyle was 1.19sec inside the previous best set in 1983 by Paul Howe. Despite the achievement of 23 personal best times, the English Ease. Youth squad fin-ished a disappointing sixth at the evens, which was won by Canada.

#### England finished a disappointing second to Scotland **SPORTS LETTERS**

#### Time for this habit to stop

Sir. Gerard Manley Hopkins, while serving as a Jesuit priest in Victorian Liverpool, was horrified at the way in which workmen in the streets of that city spat continually without any consideration for passers-

A vigorous campaign waged by local authorities, exemplified by the prose poem carried on the Birkenhead buses,

Passengers are requested to assist the Corporation
by lodging information and assisting ons found spitting on public

resulted in such a general awareness of the depravity of this habit that by the start of the Second World War it had almost been eliminated from

Unhappily, spitting is now back in full flow and it is not difficult to pinpoint those responsible for its revival professional footballers, whose expectorations are vividly shown on television, to be imitated by youngsters who admire and perpetuate every gesture of their idols.

Why do footballers need to spit so often? One imagines that,

Other ports of call

piece from Fort Lauderdale (April 13) mentions some possible alternative stopover points for subsequent Whitebread Round The World Races but it would be interesting to consider other places for next time and I am certain this is being done. Places such as Port Stanley Fayal in the Azores, or Funchal in Madeira plus a reversion to Cape Town, which is a natural

Nick Faldo in

even more enjoyable and

entertaining to read than

The May issue also includes:

Getting to grips with your

These shoes were made

Shot savers for summer

ever before.

for scoring

**Eleventh Heaven!** 

That's the theme of the gripping nine-page feature

brighter, crisper new design makes the magazine

on Nick Faldo's historic US Masters win at the eleventh hole at Augusta. And Golf Monthly's

liquid in their bodies. If great exertion demanded spitting then surely ballet dancers, who are under no less physical strain than footballers, would be forced to spit all over the stage. Perhaps a clue can be found in the fact that the first action of a substitute when he steps on the field is to spit. Is this a stylized gesture of defiance to the opposition? Sadly, the habit has passed to

want to conserve every drop of

other sports. The most otiose example must surely be lawn tennis, where players who are allowed to rest and swill their anowed to rest and swin their mouths out after every two games still find it necessary to foul the baseline with their spittle. Even sadder is the general acceptance of this behaviour by officials, managers and the public. It does not apparently come under the heading of ungentlemanly conduct. Perhaps we must wait until ice dancers take up the practice before there is any sign of general revulsion. Yours faithfully,

211 Oueslett Road,

From Mr J.K. Crookshank Sir. David Miller's thoughtful

navigationally and timely politically, could be contenders and if a north American port is needed Annapolis, Baltimore or New-port, Rhode Island might be better than New York City, and all these places could better accommodate the yachts them-

Yours sincerely JOHN CROOKSHANK,

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champion Curtis Strange

rugby football From Mr D.E. Williams Sir, We are told that the

From the Headmaster of Loretto Sir, Many past and present rugby players throughout the world hold a particularly high regard for Melrose as one of the most respected rugby clubs on the field and as one of the most welcoming and hospitable off the field. These feelings can only have been confirmed this past weekend by the magnificent organization of the 100th playing of the Melrose Sevens and by the play of the Melrose seven, in particular their much re-spected captain and Scottish

Towards the end of a thrilling semi-final, Melrose looked poised to take their place in the final when the extraordinarily talented Australian wing threequarter, David Campese, snatched victory for his club side, Randwick, by slithering over for a magnificent last-minute try. Surely no one in the Greenyards at that moment could have been more disappointed than Robertson, pos-sibly playing for the last time in his own home sevens; yet the first man to congratulate Campese and to help him to his feet was the Melrose captain, who, having personally congrat-ulated all the Randwick players, was first, in the true spirit of rugby football, to thank the referee.

Such an example of true sportsmanship is a tremendous encouragement to young rugby players throughout the country, particularly as it is in such marked contrast to the disgraceful and petulant behaviour re-cently witnessed in certain other sports at home and abroad. Yours faithfully, NORMAN DRUMMOND, . Loretto School, Musselburgh, East Lothian.

COLF

MONITRY

True spirit of Misplaced cricket priorities

**VOLLEYBALL** 

fit to play in Israel

By Roddy Mackenzie

and County Cricket Board requested that the fifth Test match should start on Maundy Thursday rather than Easter Saturday so that the England party would be back in time for the domestic

Thus a vital Test match began within 48 hours of its predecessor, giving no opportunity for injured players to recover, merely in order that those players could take part in the

Change of style

From Mr W.P. Gunyon Sir, Simon Barnes (April 11) gently reprimands the BBC Cricket Correspondent for choosing to deliver his other-wise "correct" remarks on The Voice of Barbados radio station, implying that British listeners raise no eyebrows at this particular branch of observational analysis. Quite apart from this incident, there may be cricket lovers like myself who feel uneasy at the progressively more opinionated style of radio

cricket commentary.
Throughout the recent admirably vociferous campaign to protect comprehensive cricket coverage from the impending reorganization of radio wavelengths, standards set by the commentary itself have been safely sheltered behind its cult stants. Let us hope that the uproar in Barbados may stimu-late some internal analysis of those characteristics of ball-byball broadcasting which contrib-ute to its remarkable appeal. Excessively authoritarian judge-ments may not be found

YOU'S MILLIAM GUNYON. 4 St John's Street, Winchester, Hampshire.

From Mr Raynald Franks
Sir, The televising of cricket
highlights is now being relegated
by the BBC to the small hours of

College rowing

From Mr R.A. Philips Sir, As the captain of the London Rowing Club and as an carsman who went to neither Oxford nor Cambridge I feel I must respond to Mr Atkins's letter (April 5).

A look at the records of the Henley Royal Regatta or an inspection of the results of the Head of the River Race over the last 20 years will show that the crews representing the Oxbridge colleges are, by and large, no longer a force in British rowing. Whilst there are exceptions to the rule it is now the case that home grown oarsmen are very unlikely to achieve a place in

either Boat Race crew. The successful candidate will have probably rowed for his school or a club for several years and in some cases represented Great Britain as a junior or senior oarsman. These students, having long since sold their souls to the river, will arrive at the university and look at the OUT NOW £1.60 college boat clubs and realise that they probably rowed in faster crews whilst at school, No

Uneven scales of justice which will be forgotten within From Mr G. Hardy an hour of their conclusion.
This probably made no dif-

Sir, The Brazilian crowd in World Cup qualifying match with Chile in 1989 causes trouference to the outcome, but does it not speak volumes about the misplaced priorities of those in ble, intimidating Chile's players a flare, thrown from the crowd a flare, thrown from the crowd, lands near Chilean goalkeeper Rojas; he feigns injury from the flare; Chile, losing I-O and apparently on their way out of the tournament, withdraw their players from the field, allegedly on grounds of personal danger but, more probably, in the hope of having the match replayed and thus conserving their chances. The outcome is that the As no reason can be elicited for this from the Corporation one can only assume that it is intended to show disgust for the

chances. The outcome is that the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) fines Brazil an inconsequential sum, awards them victory by a notional 2-0 and bans Rojas from football for life.

The behaviour of Rojas was

The behaviour of Rojas was reprehensible, yet at the end of the day it amounted to cheating and should be judged in the context of the general, regrettably low, standard of sportsmanship in international football in what was one football. In what way can Rojas's offence be seen as worse than that of those players found to have accepted bribes to

To make another contrast, in what way is Rojas's offence so much worse than that of the tiny minority of players, common to most countries, whose illegiti-mate tackling or other delib-erately violent conduct can end another player's career (in Britain, one or two of these players have even seen fit to commit their misavoury in-

commit their unsavoury in-tentions to print)? What scales of justice are they that deprive one man of his livelihood for feigning injury, something we see many times each season, yet rehabilitate within a year or two players guilty of accepting bribes to influence results and which provide for the suspension for a provide for the suspension for a game or two of players imperil-ling the livelihood of their fellow

Events in the past few years certainly suggest FIFA's criteria for dealing with players and countries contravening its rules are curiously uneven: it is difficult to avoid concluding that FIFA is prepared to take tough action only in the case of lesser lights in the football firmament such as Chile and Mexico (as in their expulsion from the current World Cup) while less expendable players and countries are by comparison given little more than a

ressing down. Lifting the sine die suspension on Rojas would be a conciliztory gesture, helping to remove an unpleasant taste from the mouth at the onset of the World Cap finals 1990. It is to be hoped that FIFA president
Joso Havelange will propose
this and that Bruish and Irish
representatives on FIFA will support and press for it. Yours truly, G. HARDY,

17 Colby Road, SE19. Sports Letters may be sent by fax to 01-782 5846

### Scudamore hurt in Cheltenham fall

By Pani Wheeler

RACING

PETER Scudemore will be our of action for at least a week after taking a heavy fall from The quartet were in line Huntworth in the Golden Miller jumping the second less and at the last, Master Bob, the 11-4 PETER Scudemore will be out and Master Bob turning for The champion jockey, who favourite took a definite advan-had also taken a fall from tage. However, he wandered to Abbotts View in the opening the right on the run-in and race; parted company with Richard Dunwoody, having Huntworth at the fifteenth sence cleverly switched Royal Celar and was taken to Chekenham to the outside of Master Both. General Hospital where x-rays drove the nine-year-old up the showed a broken rib and a hill to repulse the late challenge chipped bone in his right wrist. of his stable companion, Golden He will now have treatment at Friend. the Lilleshall Rehabilitation Barral

Barabrook Again gave a high-

class performance to win the South Wales Showers Caradon Centre.

With Huntworth gone, the South Wales Showers Caradon race developed into an exching Mira Silver Trophy - Chase, four-horse comest. Contradeal, Hywel Davies quickening the long-time leader, was joined by Golden Friend, Royal Cedar well clear of his rivals.

#### **Curley forms pressure** group to help punters By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

BARNEY Curley, the controversial trainer, announced at Newmarket yesterday that he was launching a pressure group to give puniess and owners a fair deal.

Called "Racing Reform" the control of problems with him and let's never been right."

He also claimed that Bambrook Again, yesterday's impressive Cheltenham winners.

deal.

Called "Racing Reform", the group will lobby fix whatever it feels is necessary to put tacing in order, even to the extent of pressing for a Government inquiry into the industry.
Curley suggested that doping might be more prevalent than was generally thought and cited his own horse, Keep Hope

Alive, as an example. He suspected Keep Hope Alive could have been doped before finishing a well-beaten third to Egypt
Mill at Ascot in Jamesry.

"He could hardly stand after the race," said 'the trainer.

The race, said 'the trainer.

impressive Chehenham winner, gave the impression of being a doped horse when falling behind Pegwell Bay at Kempton in November. David Elsworth, however, said that Barntrook Again was suffering from an irregular heartheat after that disappointing performance.

David Pipe, on behalf of the Jockey Club, said: "As far as Keep Hope Alive is concerned, it was quite open to Mr Carley to have asked the Assoc stewards for a dope test at the time if he wasn't stringfed with the horse's ranging. That is per-

### Irish win for All Jeff

Fairyhouse yesterday (Our Irish All Jeff has now won in three countries this season, scoring at Year-Old Novices' Hundle

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CHARLIE Brooks saddled his Cagues sur-Mer in December first winner in belong when before breaking the mack record Lady Joseph's All Jeff, the 7-4 at Sandown last month.

Savourite, outstayed Reangown Earlier in the afternoon, All favourite, outstayed Reasgown
by five lengths to win the leff's stable companion, Bell
Tattersalls Novices Clause at Giass, made a series of jumping mistakes before finishing second to the Jim Bolger-trained Bally

TUESDAY'S POINT-TO-POINT TESHITS
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# Shavian can solve Craven puzzle

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

SHAVIAN and Mukidaam. currently second and third favourites for the 2,000 Guineas on May 5, clash first at Last autumn Shayian was a Stakes at Newbury last Newmarket today in the captivating winner of the autumn.

Charles Heidsieck Chari- Mornington Stakes at Ascot On that form alone, Tirol pagne Craven Stakes,

No other trial has proved powerful galloper. such a reliable Guineas guide in recent years with Shadeed, Dancing Brave and Doyoun going on to classic glory in England and Shaadi in

As Be My Chief has faded has burst on to the scene, impressing George Robinson, our experienced work-watcher, in his last two gallops.

2.00 Treble Eight. 2.35 Russian Frontier

3.40 Royal Borough. 4.10 Nazela.

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particularly taken by the way East Everleigh abounds in Pat chosen representative and I In the Remy Martin XO that he kept up with the good Eddery's mount, Tirol, who was impressed with this close Maiden Stakes, my best

had a race this spring at Kempton, where he stayed on strongly to account for Lord from the picture, so Shavian Of The Field, who runs in last year's Dewhurst Stakes today's first race.

match between Shavian and companion, Osario, at her, in his last two gallops. Mukddaam, though, would be Redcar. useful f On Saturday, Robinson was totally wrong. Confidence at Sure Sharp is Barry Hills's autumn.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.40 Western Dynasty.

4.40 GREY ROOSTER (DED).

Draw: no advantage

S Keightey 68
John Williams
W Carson
H Wighes
P Brette
C Rotter 63
G Deffeld 75
L Detted 6 99
R Svinhern 96
S Cauthen 96

Put Eddery

2.00 Treble Eight. 2.35 Mazag. 3.10 Shavian.

4.10 Arany.

Selections

By Michael Seely

2.0 FEILDEN STAKES (Listed race: 3-Y-O: £12,792: 1m.1f) (9 tunners)

1- DUKE OF PADUCAH 180 (C,G) (J Gercie-Roady) G Herwood 9-2\_41549- CRYSTAL BEAM 222 (G) (R Whatey) P Kellewick 9-0

2.00 Elmuragash. 2.35 MAZAG (nap). 3.10 Shavian.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.40 FRESCOBALDO.

FORM FOCUS DURC OF PADUCAN Mover on Donzaler (fim, good to fimit). Examingating on strongly to best useful Afoil a short-head on dibut here (77, good) in Ocober, Picks up a Sib panelty for that win but is clearly useful.

THERE EIGHT best from Lad by a confortable 1% on debut here (170, good to firm) in Ocober, Has disappointed when 125 9th to Noble Perfect at Association Deby as target and should give a good account. Aff fathild put up best effort ast term when a 3%1 3rd to well regarded Dispersion in a Group R tace at Accot (170, good to firm), good to firm), good to firm) and you was a way creditable 3t 2nd to Mutdelman on Kempton tace at Accot (170, good to firm) and proved current when a 4%1 4th to Tybuso Tree at Newbury (170), well being when a strong faishing 1% 2nd to Lutter

2.35 REMY MARTIN XO COGNAC MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O coits &

39- MAZAG TUB (MACCHAM AI MINICOUNT) AI STOCKS 9-0.

- NEVERS 80-HIGH 196 (K HSU) () Armstrong 9-0.....

9- NORTHERN VELAGE 177. (W Dove) S Dow 9-0.....

38- RELONEO 191 (Shelin Mohammad) J Gooden 9-0....

38- RESSAM PRON

33- LORD FLOREY 165 (Shelith Mohamsmot) L. Cumani 9-0. 05- LORD SIAGESTER 180 (H Medano) L. Cumani 9-0. 33- MAZAG 196 (Meldouch Al Meldoum) M Stoute 9-0.

METTINGS 6-4 Mazza, 4-1 Lord Florey, 5-1 Rejoneo, 7-1 Russian Proprier, 8-1 Westing, 19-1 Never So Guinary, 14-1 Stangar Flyer.

1985: GREAT COMMITTION 9-0 Pat Eddery (4-1) A Scott 20 ren

FORM FOCUS GUIMARG came up against some useful for the state of 19 to Mutchdam here (71, good to first). Another 2,000 Guimass entry and regarded Sure Sharp here (81, good), LORD FLOREY (81, good to first). Another 2,000 Guimass entry and regarded Sure Sharp here (81, good), LORD FLOREY (81, good), LORD FLOREY (81, good). The Fletd with NEVER 80 HSSH 101 back in 9th here (71, good to soft), Holds several big, race entries, including the 2,000 Guimass and should go close. Newtony (81, soft).

\*\*MAZNA showed promise in 2 outings last term

1989: SHAADI 3-8-0 W R Swinburn (5-2 tirv) M Sibuto 5 ren

four-year-old Citidancer, who beat Monday's Kempton winran so well at Newmarket ner, Robellation, by a head when he won the Horris Hill

where he looked a particularly faces a difficult task trying to give 31b to Champagne Gold, As a two-year-old, he made who also beat Robellation marginally a greater impact narrowly once last season. than Mukddaam. However, However, Tirol is thought to Nashwan's half-brother has have made great strides since last year,

Call To Arms finished second in that blanket finish to today's first race. before being besten more
To depict the Craven as a easily by Tirol's stable

relative of that good miler. Sure Blade, when I saw him at Manton last week.

Only six runners there may be, but what a puzzle. Shavian will, hopefully, prove the right solution.

With Duke Of Paducah. Treble Eight, Elmuragash, Lord Of The Field and Spanish Empire all standing their ground, the Fielden Stakes is as open as it should be informative.

secret of the fact that he thinks the world of Spanish Empire but I marginally prefer Treble Eight, who did well to beat the useful Eton Lad here last

Barry Hills has made no

information concerns Lord Florey, Mazzag, Rejoneo and Russian Frontier. The lastnamed is selected on the strength of recent work with Laxey Bay and Bold Russian, who have both run well in the past week.

At Ayr, Lynda Ramsden's much-improved five-year-old, One For The Pot, is napped to complete a quick four-timer in the Castlehill Apprentice Handicap.

The race conditions state that a winner after April 7 must carry an additional 51b. One For The Pot has won twice since that date, his most recent success being gained at Newcastle on Monday

Guide to our in-line racecard 1 118143 GOOD TRAFFE 13 (RF.F.O.S) Siles D Robinson) S Hall 12-0. Racacard number. Sky-figure form (F - tell.

P - pulled up. U - unsested rider, B - brought down. S - slipped up. R - refused.

D - disqualified). Horse's name. Days since test outing: F if fat. (B - binises. S - soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in V - visor. H - hood. E - Eyeshleid. C - course winner. D - distance winner, CD - course and Handisepper's rating. 3.40 REMY MARTIN VSOP COGNAC HANDICAP (£6,058: 1m 4f) (10 C 4

D131- ROLL, A DOLLAR 341 (F,Q) (K Higson) D Elsworth 4-10-0 3/11105- NASHED 147 (F) (Handan Al-Maistoum) A Sawert 5-10-0 500312- ROYAL BOROUGH 261 (Q,Q) (Lord Cheise) J Duniop 5-6 5/02344- COLD MARSLE 272 (CD,F,S) (Evors of A Green) W Hage 3-17113 SIR RUFUS 49 (D.V.F) (N W L Daviss (7) 5 Cauting ... W HRS ... J Cisino W Carson BETTRIC: 3-1 Freecobaldo, 9-2 Royal Borough, Nashid, 5-1 Roll A Dollar, 7-1 Eccesais Denseur, 8-1 Sa

C 4

4.10 LADBROKES BOLDBOY SPRINT HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £8,420: 61)

501 (14) 85361- ARANY 180 (D,S) (Mrs P Kaimer) M Tompidus 9-7
502 (8) 260340- ACROSS THE SAY 173 (F) (J Redmond) S Dow 9-6...
503 (10) 1228-17 CASE LAW 8 (D,F,G) (J Liver) M Present 9-2...
504 (9) 42120-2 NAZELA 9 (F) (J Wolf) J Payne 9-2...
505 (4) 203822- SROUT FORE 122 (D,F) (P Boos) N Caleghan 9-1...
508 (11) 4313-13 CORRINN HILL 108 (D,BF,F) (R Carvill) N Caleghan 9-1...
508 (12) 13- KORACLE BAY 219 (D,F) (J Stargeon) C Was 9-0...
509 (16) 1234-33 ELA-YEMOU 5 (D,F) (Winning Post Recing) C Allen 8-12...
510 (2) 0276- JAGGED EDGE 173 (8) (C Booth) R Holder 8-10...
511 (13) 03555-0 BERNELDA LLY 5 (F) (Nanston LE) R Hannon 9-8...
512 (9) 5410-4 LES AMSS 24 (D,F) (T Jone) E Alaton 8-4...
514 (15) 13- BERNERANA 208 (D,F) (H Alacander) J Watts 8-2...
515 (3) 0-550 TARANS GRIU. 81 (BF) (Tamdown List) W O'Gorman 7-7...
516 (1) 2450-65 DANCHING SIMEEZE 154 R Robins P Killchell 7-7...
Long bandicage: Tata's Girl 7-3, Dancing Breeze 7-1... John Williams W Carson ... N Carliel

Long handicap: Tete's Girl 7-3, Dencing Breeze 7-1.
BETTING: 5-1 Case Law, 6-1 Arany, 7-1 Corrin HS, Koracie Bay, 8-1 Ele-Yemou, 10-1 El Arab, Acr
The Bay, Indian Chief, 12-1 Nazela, 14-1 others. 1989: HAFIR 9-3 B Rouse (10-1) C Benstead 15 ran

FORM FOCUS CASE LAW returned a useful performance to defeat Night At Saa 151 in apprentious event at Ripon (61, good to firm) defeating Finel Harvest 161 prior (61, firm); previously won graduation event at Lingfield (61, AM) by 2 from Starry.

MAZELA caught close home on Pontefract reappearance (51, firm) finishing neck 2nd to Final Aca. SHOUT FORE can or well to finish 12 2nd to Might At Saa (51 firm) finishing neck 2nd to Final Aca. SHOUT FORE can or well to finish 12 2nd to Might At Saa (51 firm) finishing neck 2nd to Final Aca. SHOUT FORE can or well to finish 12 2nd to Might At Saa (51 firm) finishing neck 2nd to Final Aca.

4.40 EBF STUNTNEY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: colts & geldings: £3,508: 5f) (6 runners) DEMOCRATIC (F Salman) M Bell 9-0.
FIGHTING SON (L Monatel) M Jarvis 9-0.
9 FLYING PROMEE 28 (F Bennet) R Bennet 9-0.
GREY ROOSTER (Gennet Velley Lid) W Jarvis 9-0.
PENSELAPH (Ars H Ration) D Savorth 9-0. BETTING: Evens Grey Rooster, 7-2 Penseraph, 4-1 Democratic, 11-2 Sylva Honda, 7-1 Fighting Son, 50-1 Flying Promise.

1988: CANDY GLEN 9-0 N Day (33-1) C Well 12 ran

FORM FOCUS DEMOCRATIC (fooled Apr 23) by Missaid out of a well related unraced demit, cost \$20,000, PRGHTMS SON (Mar 7) by Righting Fig. a winner from 8t to 9t, out of a sprint winning dam. A 20,000 pe yearing.

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21 10th to its square. GREY ROOSTER (Apr 10) by Diesis out of a 1m winner; its a half-brother to a minor winner and selected \$85,000 at suction. PENSERAPH (Apr 29) by winner from 8t to 9t, out of a sprint winning dam. A 20,000 gps yearing.

21,000 pe yearing.

22,000 pe yearing.

23,000 pe yearing.

24,000 pe yearing.

25,000 pe yearing.

26,000 pe yearing.

27,000 pe yearing.

28,000 pe yearing.

29,000 pe yea

3.25 THOMSON'S NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£5,299: 3m 1f) (8 runners)

Course specialists

FORM FOCUS TROL best Cutting to theirs make more appeal.

(if, good) and stepped up on that form to best useful present facesistion a head in a Group III race at Newbury (if floyd, sott).

(iii) A RESE followed a good neck 2nd to Deshir Research in a Group II race here (iii), good) with a rurning on 2½1 3rd to Ceurlo at Redcar (iii), good). With a rurning on 2½1 3rd to Ceurlo at Redcar (iii), good). Useful but looks more exposed than some of these. CHAINFARNE GOLD a useful Northern juvenile who put up best effort when beeding Robellation a neck at all to best Raheam by a comfortable 2½1 here (iii). Selection: MUXDDAAM (nee) CHECIBNEAN Selections By Mandarin 4.00 Half Free. 2.15 Voyage Sans Retour. 4.35 Deltic. 2.50 Beau Pari. 5.10 Prize Asset. 5.40 Draw Poker. 3.25 Damers Cavalry.

arr, 11-2 Call to Arms, Tirol, 8-1 Sure Sharp, 10-1 Chempegna

Brian Beel's selection: 4.00 Wellington Brown.

Going: good to firm (firm in places) ### THE CONTRACT CONT 2.15 MINSTER LOVELL HANDICAP HURDLE (25,162: 2m 4f) (7 runners)

1989: ARCTIC TEAL 5-12-0 S Sherwood (12-1) O Sherwood 28 ren 250 WESTERN NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,314: 2m 4f) (11) R Rome @ McCourt \_1 Outone \$ Fox (7)

1 0-21413 IBEAU PARI, 47 (0.5) (3 Recincios) Juniora 0-11-10
2 333321 TOMMYS DREAM 1 (8F,F) (3 Turnel) S Christian 7-10-5:
3 0-3331 VINDRAN 33 (0.P) (8 Levis) Miss A Ying 5-10-6
4 0-25453 HEIGHT OF FUN 20 (4m 5 Samuel) O Sherwood 8-10-5:
5 80840 FRIENDLY HEIGHT 48 (5) Li Fox J Fox 10-10-0
6 80544 TOCHERACA 25 (7 Remon-Price) Mrs. J Croft 6-10-0
7 2205-62 JAME CRAMS 6 (D Hudd) N Twiston-Device 7-10-0
8 80-PK TURNERS GREEN 41 (Lord Vestey) J King 7-10-0
9 902 ATLANTIC CEDAR 27 (J Burl) P Hayrard 4-10-0
10 5065 CHANGE WEAR 27 (Cage Wear Fun Lift) J King 4-0-0
11 900634- KORITSALO 380 (Cede Fire Stud) Miss H Knight 5-10-0 . J White Long handicate Friendly Harry B-4. Tocharka 9-3. Jane Craig 8-12, Turpin's ... B Segges 81 Green 8-11, Arientic Cedar 8-8. Crange Weer 8-8. Koritseld 8-7 BETTING: 3-1 Height Of Fun, 7-2 Torontye Dreem, 4-1 Beau Pari, 8-1 Turpin's Green, 8-1 Viridian, 10-1 Jane Craig, 12-1 Others.

1982: KANGRITON LAD 8-19-8 S Sherwood (55-1) O Sherwood 24 ren Course specialists

JOCKEYS-Fourness Per cent | S Earle | 15 | 26.7 | S Earle | 175 | 18.3 | M Bowley | 66 | 18.2 | R Democody | 28 | 17.9 | M Perrett | 98 | 17.3 | J Lower | 51 | 15.7 | R Beggen |

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4.0 HOWARD E PERRY HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £2,385; 3m 2f) (7 runners) 13304-6 HALF FREE 83 (C.F.Q.S) (R Farrell) C Brooks 14-12-5... SETTING: 8-11 Half Pres, 9-2 Wellington Brown, 13-2 John Sam, 7-1 Lynwood Led, 14-1 North Brigade, 1989: WEST TIP 12-12-6 Mr M Armytago (9-4 fav) M Oliver 16 mm 4.35 CHELTENHAM JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-0: £3,028; 2m) (6 runners) 6 - 25422 DEADLY CHARM 66 (BF) (Mrs A Device) D Nicholeon 10-9... SETTING: Evens Debic, 3-1 Good Spark, 11-2 Deadly-Chang, 8-1 Champagne Lad, 12-1 Ivesgh House, 25-1 Crossroad Lad. 1998: YOYAGE BANS RETOUR 4-11-7 P Scudemore (9-4) M Pipe 9 ran 5.10 HOLMAN CUP HANDICAP CHASE (25,798: 2m) (4 runners) 1 132901 MCHALROUM 12 (CD,F,G,S) (Liceby Ferms Ltd) M H Esserby 9-11-13.
2 21-1042 PROZE ASSET 12 (CD,F,G) (Mrs C Junes) P Hobbs 10-11-10.
3 111825 THE A TRAIN 12 (D,G,S) (M Oberssen) Mrs J Pittoen 8-10-13.
4 1F3-SF3 PANTONIME PRINCE 145 (BF,D,F,G) (P Gargon) C Thorrson 7-10-0.... SETTING: 1-2 Nohelevicus, 7-2 Prize Asset, 11-2 The A Train, 14-1 Partomine Prince. 1989: PRIZE ASSET 9-11-2 S Earle (7-2 fev) P Hobbe 8 ran 5.40 LEVY BOARD NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (£2,290: 2m) (23 runners) ARAPANO CHIEF (T Lawin) B Protherton 5-11-6.

ARCOT LAD (1 Berry) D Nicholson 5-11-6.

DRACAN HALL (R Crott) Mrs J Crott 5-11-6.

DRAW POLICIF 92 (H Hayman) O Sharwood 5-11-5.

PREDOE SWALLOW (D Davies) P Davies 5-11-6.

4 FROME BOY 12 (C Lowe) R Holder 5-11-6.

MINT-MASTER (Capt M Gosling) Mrs I McG6 5-11-6.

BUIGON BEACH (Nrs R Planni) M Pips 5-11-6.

R ROMANY SPLIT 40 (Mrs S Lockhart) N Twiston-Davies 5-11-6.

BOLAR ORDERN 12 M Healen L Codd 5-11-6. ASSEMB (7) ...... R Greeps (7) ... Mr & Fernant (7) \_ 1tr E thatley (7) \_\_\_ 1t Feater (7) \_\_\_ 1t Joses (5) R. ROMANY SPLIT 40 (Mrs & Lockhart) N Tweston Device 5-11-6.

SETRONG BEAU (Mrs & Maxwell-Jones) D Micholson 5-11-6.

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WEDDONG FEAST (Me) H Porter) J McConnochie 5-11-5.

DARK DEB (Bear) J Dial 5-11-1.

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BE LANGERUP SEREFIXE (D ADDON) R DICION 5-11-1. H Williamson (3) Nr P Cayle (7) .... P Verling (3) ..... J Pullin (7) P McDermos (7) ... D Werschilb (7) PARMIELD'S BRIEZE (D'Abbat) N Dicks 5-11-1

SE LAGRON 40 (Angure Lid) Mrs E Heath 4-11-0

MY SIFFRESSION (G Combed) H Candy 4-11-0

TRURGLE (Sir A Scott) P Howing 4-11-0

WELSHMAN'S CREEK (D'D SIR) D Gressel 4-11-8

BUCKSSY (Mrs S Swiser) A James 4-10-9

DRYCK (D Holy M Brown 4-10-9

S KNOWAFENCE 20 (Mrs M Henriques) M Henriques 4-10-9

D POPPE MRSE BELLE 12 (Poppe Inne Racing) Mrs A Knight 4-10-9 BETTING: 5-2 Terrible Gel, 3-1, My Impression, 5-1 Mugani Beach, 8-1 Draw Polisir, 10-1 Ascot Lad, coon, 12-4 Strong Beau, 14-1 others. 1988; YOUNG POKEY 4-11-0 A Strict (4-5 tex) O Sherwood 23 ran

### Gallant Anshan gives Gosden classic chance

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

ANSHAN, gallant winner of the "There's just a squeak we might Ladbroke European Free get him again."

Richard Hannon was delightRichard Hannon was delightRichard Hannon was delighted with Osario's performance.
The light probably go for the to become the first horse to land

French 2,000 but it depends on the double of yesterday's race how Tirol and Rock City get and the 2,000 Guineas since on."

Then, discussing his classic

I'll have to talk to Sheikh Mohammed about it," said John Gosden, having achieved his most important success since moving from California to Newmarket. "But I definitely feel that he's earned the right to take his chance."

Ridden by Pat Eddery, An-

shan, the beavily-backed second favourite at 9-2, made virtually all his own running. Osario tried hard to get to grips in the last 1½ furlongs but was beaten 1½ lengths. Book The Band was always struggling to go the pace and finished a further threequarters of a length away third.
The winning time of lmin
24.07sec was only four tenths of
a second outside the track The winning time of 1min 24.07sec was only four tenths of a second outside the track record. Anshan looks certain to run well in the Guineas, without perhaps being good enough to come a bit soon. I'm sure she'll the record reces later on."

Guineas," said Gosden, ling Stakes at Newbury.

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Selections

By Mandarin

2.30 ONE FOR THE POT (nap). 3.0 Skipper To

Bilge. 3.30 Please Believe Me. 4.0 Monetary Fund. 4.30 Predictable. 5.0 Love Returned. 5.30

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.0 Skipper To Bilge. 3.30 Himmah. 5.0 Love

Going: heavy Draw: 51-61, low numbers best 2.30 CASTLEHILL APPRENTICE HANDICAP

3.0 AUCHANS MAIDEN STAKES (£2,980: 1m) (24)

AUCHANS MAIDEN STAKES (22,980: 1m) (24)

3 BEST EMPEROR 16 J Mackin 48-9 — 16

500 BORN WITH A VELL 140 D Haydh James 49-9 J Reid 3

500 High STOY 519 J Morestin 49-6 — P Burke 12

500 BORN WITH A VELL 140 D Haydh James 49-9 J Reid 3

500 High STOY 519 J Morestin 49-6 — R Hills 14

500 CANDESCO 775 B McMarzen 49-4 — P MS 24

63 CHARBATTE 23R M Moutherrik 49-4 — P HIS 24

64 CHARBATTE 23R M Moutherrik 49-4 — P HIS 24

65 CHARBATTE 23R M Moutherrik 49-4 — P HIS 24

66 CHARBATTE 23R M Moutherrik 49-4 — P HIS 24

67 CHARBATTE 23R M MOUTHER 49-4 — I T Carlon 15

68 J MOD SCHAD 251 W Scrrey 49-4 — G Histe (6) 4

28-0 BANTON LOCH 16 C TINIOR 38-8 — J Bleeddale 11

65 DANCE OF GOLD 253 M H ESISTIVO 39-8 — M Girch 7

6 QUEST RIGHT 15 M BITERN 38-8 — N Gentlemen (5) 8

LOCO TYCOON M PRECOCK 38-8 — R Pager (7) 22

5 MR MOCCASIN 16 J Grover 38-8 — K Felion 2

5 MR MCCCASIN 16 J Grover 38-8 — D Micholin 18

2 SUSPER TO SELEC 16 M James 38-8 — B Price (7) 23

300 - TREACLE MINE 258 N TINIOR 38-8 — B PRICE (7) 23

301 TREACLE MINE 258 N TINIOR 38-3 — R PRICE (7) 23

502 - SAMSOVA 485 / Balding 38-3 — S O'Gorman (9) 13

25 SAMSOVA 485 / Balding 38-3 — B Pathon (7) 5

5 SAMSOVA 485 / Balding 38-3 — B Pathon (7) 5

5 SKipper TO Bilge, 5-1 Charbette, 13-2 Sernsova, Best

3.30 WESTERN MUSIC FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O:

5-4 Hammah, 13-8 Please Believe Me, 11-2 Silver Singing, 7-1 Western Music, 16-1 Sabons.

4.0 CRAIGIE CUP (Handicap: £4.971: 1m 5f) (18) 1 258- SONG OF SEXPENCE 228 (G,S) I Balding 8-10-0

2 030- JUST MY BELL 189 (C,S) W Eboy 4-8-5

1 264- PLEASE BELIEVE ME 236 (P) M H Easterby 8-11

1 30-0 CLASSIC STATE 26 (F,S) R Whitploor 4-10

(£2,805: 1m 2f) (16 runners)

hopes, Hannon added: "Tirol is probably the best home worker. But Rock City is lazy at home and it's going to be interesting to

see how he fares in the Greenham." Sheikh Mohammed, Britain's leading owner for the past five years, certainly hit the jackpot on his first racecourse visit of the year as he landed a treble by also winning with Rahaam and

Noble Savage.

The punters foriously laid odds of 94 on Henry Cecil's highly-regarded filly, Rahaam, in the Geoffrey Barling Maiden Stakes, but the margin over Diamond Shoes was only half a baneth at the line.

win some decent races later on."

"I asked Pat to ride today as Cecil's 1,000 hopes now depend Steve Cauthen will obviously on Chimes Of Freedom, who have to ride Shavian in the runs in tomorrow's Fred Dar-

Noble Savage, the Sheikh's third winner, put up a game performance when defying 9st 10lb in the Jeyes Bloo Handicap

for Ray Cochrane. There was a rare set-to in the Earl of Senion Stakes before Cochrane forced last year's Derby runner-up, Terimon, past the post a short head in front of Citidancer with Pirate Army 1/2 lengths away third. Clive Brittain now intends to aim Terimon at the Prince of

Wales's Stakes Citidancer was probably a shade unlucky as he lost two front shoes during the race and this performance was a pointer to his galloping companion, Shavian, in this afternoon's Craven Stakes

#### Brighton plan £4m complex

A MULTI-MILLION pound project aimed at transforming Brighton into one of the country's leading racecourses was unveiled yesterday. The town's Labour-controlled

is planning to turn it into a year round leisure complex at an estimated cost of £4 million.

13 629- WESSEX 75J (CD.C.S) N Tricker 8-8-1 ... Kim Tricker 5-8-1 ... Kim Tricker 5-14 00L- BEAU BERZ 130 (F.C.M) H Egistriy 6-9-1 ... Kim Tricker 5-15 ZEW, CMARILE DUCGINS 464J 8 Medic 6-7-11 Dens Medic 16-10 CROER PAPER 15 (8) J S Wisson 5-7-11 .... A Mercer 8-17 603/5 GALLOWAY RAIDER 48J (6) Darrys Smith 6-7-7 Parises (7) 48 16 /00- BAY MOUNTAIN 350 R Cures 4-7-7..... 1-1 Steppey Lane, 6-1 Monetary Fund, Wessex, 17-2 Hot Tender Type, 10-1 St Cadoc, Song Of Stepence. 4.30 LAMLASH SELLING STAKES (£2,952: 61) (22) # 40-0 NEEDS MUST 16 (D. 23) C Tricker 3-8-7 M B 10-5 MANTHE'S COURSER 13 W Pagero 3-8-2 D Nich 363 MONTHE'SIN LACE 15 M Briggs 3-8-2 J Marshall WEL C Thombon 3-8-2 M Briggs 3-8-2 J Beauty 10 DARK CITY 313 G Richards 3-7-11 Mm Till 1250 DORRIN 139 N Tricker 3-7-11 (Dm Till 1645 FRANCIS FURNESS 139 Danys Smith 3-7-11 9-2 Putty, 5-1 Sharp Anne, 13-2 Yukosan, 8-1 Needs Must, prug, 12-1 Galetsa Pearl, 16-1 Honey Mill, Predictable. 5.0 SMITHSTONE HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,687: 5f) 11- NORTON CHALLENGER 357 (D.Q.S) M H Easterby 9-7M Birch 4 4 62-1 LOVE RETURNED 15 (D,S) W Janks 8-12 5 222- MADELEY'S PET 180 Danys Smith 8-12 6 1-00 SPANISH REALM 5 (D.F.C.S) M British 8-11J Memball (7) 10 7 2-02 KRESTIS GIRL 17 (D.S) D Heydn Jones 6-3 8 06-0 GRANITTON BAY 19 (D.F) R Whitzker 6-3 9 16-0 POREVER DIAMONDS 15 (D,S) J S Wisson (3) 7 8-10ule Gibson (3) 7 10 04-0 BELINDA'S BOY 23 W Certer 7-7\_

5.30 LEVY BOARD NATIONAL HUNT FLAT G SUME PROCESS SO MINE M SERSON 5-11-6

THEFTLE MONARCH J S Wisson 5-11-6

BUCK TO R Godde 5-11-1

G Scope (7)

HALCYON LASS 757 A Crow 6-11-1

BEAR'S PICNIC M H Ensterby 4-11-0

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BUTCH SCHILLTZ 35 I Somple 4-11-0

G Symm (7)

HUGAN PIGNICER 35 M Nasymon 4-11-0 J Calleghan (7)

KANGAROO COURT J J C'Noil 4-11-0

C Dennie (3)

CHUNERAL LADY J Johnson 4-10-9

G LIOSEAN 35 N Chembertein 4-11-0

C Dennie (3)

CHUNERAL MINES 5 Hild 4-11-0

J O'Gorssen (3)

CHUNERAL LADY J Johnson 4-10-8

A G Smith

G LEN MONYSEN 104 W Crewford 4-10-9 M Molosey (5)

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4 04F- ANOTHER NICK 1723 J Jefferson 4-9-2 Paul Eddery 13
5 200- ST CADOC 139 (G) W Storey 5-9-0.... Q Hield (5) 14
6 521- TENDER TYPE 236 (CD,F,Q,S) R Whitaker 7-9-0
7 410- SELF IMPROVEMENT 201 (F) N Timber 4-9-11
J Binasdele 17
8 60-4 CARDIEN INDIGHT 15 (C.S) N Bycroft 5-9-6 J Michael 2
9 053- K-BRIQADE 134 (F,Q,S) W Story 5-9-6.... K Fision 18
10 533- MCNETARY FUND 553 (S) R Alesturst 8-8-5... J Reid 4
10 583- MCNETARY FUND 553 (S) R Alesturst 8-8-5... J Reid 4
158, 12.7%.

#### Results from yesterday's four meetings

Newmarket

Geing: good to firm

28 (7) 1, RAHAAM (S Cauthen, 4-9 lav;
Our Newmarket Correspondent's napt; 2.
Ball Lady (J Mextres, 33-1); 3, Diessend
Shoes (R Cochrane, 6-1); ALSO RAN: 8
Land Oi Hope, 20 Home Truth (4th),
Shatta (6th), 33 Spod's Blue (5th), 40 Top
Berry, Uncertain Date, 9 ran, 141, 154, 11,
141, 11, H Cocil at Newmarket, Totar £1,50;
11.10, 24,80, 21,40, DF: 240,10, CSP:
21.54, Imm 24, 15, 15 pec.

215.42. Imin 25.57sec.

2.35 (1m) 1, TAMONO DANCER (B Reymond, 12-1); 2, Song Of Roge (W R Swinburn, 5-2 H-547; 3, Farm Street (Pat Eddery, 5-2 M-fav). ALSO RAN: 15-2 Messen (5th), 16 Baylis (8th), Pure Class, State Denoter, 20 Hozzey, South Shore (4th), 25 Nuril, Pappagallo, 33 Arbor Vites, Harmitoge Lane, Pastin, 55 Tarde, 15 nan, 114, 114, 116, 18, 14d. B Hambury at Newsparket, Total: 217.80; 23.20, 21.40, 21.50. DF: 220.30. CSF: 236.41. Imin 39.40sec.

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Book The Sand on c by Be My Quest - Love Land (Kennet Valley Lid) 9-5 S.
Cauthen (13-2) 2. ALSO RAN: 4 fav Deytur, 8 Huehmore, 10 Dearlik (4th), Message Pad (fart), 12 Cestril, 20 Cudinan, Sheer Precocity (5th), 10 ran. 1%, %, 1%, 1%, 1%, 194. J Goeden at Newmarket, 70te: £5.00; £2.50, £2.10, £2.00. OF, £24.10. CSF: £31.04. Tricast: £172.15. 1min 24.07sec.

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2.40 (Im 6) 1, NOBLE SAVAGE (R Cochrane, 12-1); 2, Travelling Light (A Mauro, 3-1); 3, Sawrish (M Fry, 11-4 fay).

ALSO RAN 6 Resins Lene, 15-2 Cossack Guard (5th), 9 Takispin (4th), 10 Burgoyne, 12 Rouyen, Nad Eisniba (6th), 9 ran, Nrt. Penny Forum, 15t, 25t, 15t, 3t, 2t, G Harwood at Pulborough, Tolar, £12.70; 24.00, £150, £150, DF; £26.60, CSP; £46.52. Tricast; £119.40, 2min 55.93sec.

4.10 EARL OF SEFTON EDF STAKES (Group Mt 222,032: 1m 1f) TERMON gr c by Bustno - Nicholas Grey (Doweger Lady Beaverbrook) 4-8-10 R Cockrane (20-1) Ciddencer bic by Lomond - Mrs McArdy () Asin) 4-8-13 S Cauthen (3-1 julary) 2. Pirate Army bic by Roberto - Wac (Shelich Mohemmed) 4-8-10 L Dettor (11-2) 2. Mohemmed) 4-8-70 L Debtor (71-2) 2.
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ALSO RAN'S ji-lev Pliot, 7 Scenic (4th), 12
Also RAN'S ji-lev Pliot, 7 Scenic (4th), 10
Bottor, 25 Petrulio (5th), 33 Bec. 10 ran.
Sh Ind, Wi, 1 Wi, Ind, 1 W. C Brittain at leasurants, Total F19.50; 22-70, E120, 21 90. DF: 240.00. GSF: 270.32. Tmih 48 1550C.

48 159C.

445 (59 1. RECRA CAPDUCCHI (L. Detton, 190-30) 2. Notice Partie (M. Hills, 5-e (6)), 3. Augus Hagtar (M. A. Shentourn, 20-1), ALSO RAN: 7-2 Alembay (40), 16 Dank Kinstel (50), Tocross Wedesia (61), 6 ran. 2. rsi., 3. 194, 8. R. Boos Notice (50), 50 (6), 18 (6) Jackpot: not won. (Pool of £13,938.90 canted forward to Howmanical lodars). Placepot: £12.00.

Cheltenham

Going- good to farm (firm in places)
2.15 (2m hdie) 1, VAZON BAY (M. Pirman, 7-1); 2, Ri-Ne-Ritheam (M. Bowby, 8-1); 3, Tommys Dream (N. Menn, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 4 fix Albotos View (f. dead), 6 Los Buccaneros (6th), 7 East River, leme Zulu (fi, 8 Ar Commander, 10 Hey Cottage (4th), 20 Purple Silt, 50 Secred Gem, 65 Beityerdo (6th), 12 ran. 2, 11, 61, 11, nic. hirs J. Priman at Upper Lambourn. Totas 28.70; 22.70, E3.50, E3.50, DF: £21.30, CSF: £55.13. Tricast: £982.73. Alber a stewards' enquiry the result stood.
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2.50 (5m 2/ ch) 1, ROYAL CEDAR (R.

2.50 (Sm 2f ch) 1, ROYAL CEDARI (R Durwoody, 3-1); 2, Gelden Friend (G McCourt, 5-1); 3, Messar Bob (J White, 11-4 tay). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Dudie (f), Hurthworth (ur), 10 Memberson (ur), 25 Contraction (48th, 7 ran, 11, th hd, 8t. J McConnochie at Strations-On-Avon. Tota: 23.00; 22.00, 23.10, DF: 28.40, CSF: 218.49.

3.25 (2m 4f ch) 1, BARNEROOK AGAIN (H Davisa, 6-4 fav); 2, Pegusell Bay (B Powel, 13-8; 3, Idra Delight (B Storey, 14-1), ALSO RAN: 4 Babin du Loir (4th), 20 Sure Metal (pu), 5 ran, 10, 12, rat, D Essuorin at Whitabur, Tota: 52.20; 51.20, 51.60, DF: 52.50, CSF: 54.13. E1.60. DF: £2.50. CSF: £4.11.
4.0 (2m 41 cn) 1. ELFAST (M Lyrach, 11-10 glav); 2. Cartain Syle (J Osborne, 8-1); 3. Espy (R Durwoody, 11-10 glav), 3 ran. 33), det. J Weober at Banbury. Tota: £2.20; DF: £2.50. CSF: £8.12.
4.25 (2m holie) 1. KHARIF (J Callaghan, 5-4 tay); 2. Walt of Ubin (M Foster, 2-1); 3. Frosty Reception (W McFertand, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Devestation (46h), 18 inclosensa. 25 Pilar of Fire (5th), 38 Bob's Dresm, Postebury (6m), 30-1 Sibestony, 9 ran. 4, 6, 12, 30, 25, R Alem at Corrells-On-Tweed. Tota: £2.50; £1.40, £1.60, £1.60. OF: £2.70. CSF: £4.10.
5.10 (3m holie) 1, PICADOR (Peter 5.10 (3m hdle) 1, PICADOR (Peter Hobbs, 5-4 (feet; 2, Babil (R Durwoody, 5-4 (feet; 3, Arctic Tent (J Osborns, 9-2), 3 rsn. NRs: Ghus A Buck, Persons Green, 21, 301, P Hobbs et Minshead, Tota: 21,80, DF: 21,60, CSF, P2,90

Piscepot 2104.40. Ayr

Going: heavy
2.30 (5f) 1. Ayr Classic (G Duffield, 8-1);
2. Name The Brave (4-8 lav); 3. Nassey
(11-2), 8 ran. No. 31, 5 Wisson. Tossy
(55.70; 51.40, 51.40, 51.30. DF: 53.80.
CSF: \$13.36. CSF: £13.36.
3.8 (80) 1, Foolish Youch (M Wighers, 10-1); 2, Dist (20-1); 3, Atail Abal (20-1); 4, Golden Ancoras (10-1), Gentle Hero 5-1 fev. 16 ran. 11, 41, 1%, W Musson. Tota: £16.70; £2.60, £8.80, £8.00, £2.20, DF: £174.80. CSF: £187.86. Tricast: £3.578.94. 20 (1m) 1. Mr Chris Calcomeliar (K Faton, 5-2 tay); 2. Herote (7-1); 3, Miss Deman (20-1); 4, The Fink Sistem (83-1); 18 mm, 3l, hd, 2hl M Neughton, Tone: 94,80; 51.20, 51.50, 55.50, 53.70, DF: 517.40, CSF: £22.69. Trionst: £290.11. No

238.14, 5.0 (im 27) 1, Dawson City (M Sirch, 11-4 p-lav); 2, Shverdale Fox (10-1); 3, God Bless You (11-4 p-lav), 12 ran. 5, 2% i M H Easterly, Tota: 53.80; 51.90, 57.90, 51.90, DF: 522.50 CSF: 530.00. Tricast: 578.56. apat £327.70.

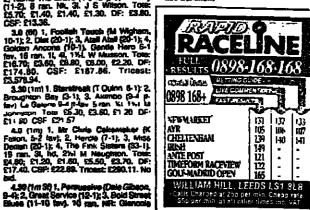
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Quing: firm, lest mile good to firm 2.45 (57) 1, it's Ali Academic (J Fortune, 15-8 fav); 2, No Hard Feelings (2-1); 3, Be My Baby (9-2), 6 ran. 2½1, nk. J Berry, Tote: 22-70; 51.50, 51.40, DF; 52.50, CSF-65.88.

23.15 (1m) 1, Supreme Dencer (eve terr); 2, The Heaty (33-1) 3, Standing Co. (12-1). 20 ran. NR: Capitaln Chrome, 2 244, W. Jarvis. Toes: £220; £1.50, £58. £3.90. DF: £125.90. CSF: £50.61. 23.90. DF: £125.90. CSF: £30.81.
2.45 (2m 1f) 1, 8tuff Cove (G Husband, 11-8 fav): 2. Briggocare (7-2): 3, Petrockis (B-1). 9 ran. 1 kl. 3t. R Hotimshead Totar. £2.40: £1.10. £2.20. £2.80. DF: £4.60. CSF: £3.58. Tricest: £45.40. Fortune, 9-1; 2. Begarn Rose (11-1): 3, Super Benz (12-1). Superbrave 3-1 fav. 14 ran. NRs. Cront's Guelly, Tradeger. 3t. hd. T Barron. Totar. £3.30: £1.90. £4.40. £7.00. DF: £35.90. CSF: £102.74. Tricest: £1.112.28. 445 (1m 25) 1. Great Harquese (W Ryan, 3-1): Fdv; 2, Dewndar (10-3); 3, Pler Damian (11-2). Helkhan, 3-1): Fdv; 12 ran. rk. 2%1. H Ceck. Totar. £2.20: £1.70, £1.80, £2.60. DF: £5.90. CSF: £13.68. 5.15 (57) 1; Royal Wierrant (J. Lowe, 5-1); 5.15(5) 1, Royal Warrant (J Lowe, 5-1); 2, Nuclear Express (6-4 fav); 3, Pinnacle Polm (10-1), 10 ran. 4, K. J Watts, Tota: 55.10; 51.60, 51.50, 52.90, DF: 25.10. CSF: 213.32, Tylcast; 268.79, After a stewards inquiry the result stood. Placepol: E56.10.

Be My Chief out Be My Chief, one-time favourite for the 2,000 Guineas, was taken out of the race at yesterday's forfeit stage when 41 stood their

Blinkered first time NEWMARKET: 2.35 Starfight Flyer. AYR: 4.50 Seminoff.



RUGBY LEAGUE

Hanley is

latest to

pull out of

tour squad

By Keith Macklin

PLANS and preparations for the summer tour of Papua New Guinea and New Zealand continued to fall apart yesterday

more players from the Great

Britain squad, including the captain, Ellery Hanley.

The loss of Hanley had been privately anticipated for some

time as he struggled with his pelvic injury, but the team's management had hoped that he

might force himself through the

tour, as be has done in Wigan's

closing and decisive matches of

The other defections are the Wigan full back, Steve

Hampson, and the Widnes loose forward, Les Holliday, who both

cite "personal reasons not con-nected with ragby".

The management team of the coach, Malcolm Reilly, and the

tour director, Maurice Lindsay, value Hanley's skills and leader-

ship so much that they have issued an open invitation to the player to "join the tour when-ever, and if ever, he returns to full fitness".

Featherstone Rovers full back, Chris Bibb, Karl Fairbank, the Bradford Northern forward.

who toured Australasia in 1988 but was left out this time, and

Gary Price, the Wakefield Trin-ity forward, who has played for Great Britain at under-21 level.

A decision is expected to be

made today on the Widnes wing, Martin Offiah, who has a

The touring team already lack
Andy Gregory, the Wigan scrum
half, who has to have an
operation on his groin, and there

are injuries dogging the Wigan trio of Andy Platt, Shaun Ed-wards and Joe Lydon. Among other defections from

the tour list have been the Hulme brothers, David and Paul, of Widnes, Des Drum-mond, the Warrington wing and

Paul Newiove, of Featherstone
Rovers: Reilly and Lindsay
must be seriously worried about
the possibility of further
withdrawals before the party

flies out next month after the

Halifax Rugby League Club

players yesterday said they would go on strike unless they

were paid the wages owed to them by the club. A letter signed

by 20 players has been sent to the board giving them an ul-

the board giving uses an actimatum that if the players do not get paid, they will refuse to turn out for Saturday's first round Premiership Trophy tie at

The club is reputed to be at east £500,000 in debt and a

**TABLE TENNIS** 

Yi Zheng

to play

in England

By Richard Eaton

ANOTHER former Chinese

international has sought to be-

come involved on the English

scene. Yi Zheng, aged 27, who once finished fifth in the Chi-

nese national championships, has sought to compete in the

English national championships

at Oldham on May 6 and 7 and,

unlike Chen Xinhua, the former

World Cup winner, her entry

has been accepted.

Chen's was refused because

the championships take place more than a week before he becomes available to represent this country. However, Yi, whose husband is doing a PhD

in chemical engineering at Cam-

### As the prize fund for the tennis championships escalates, so does safety expenditure on the centre court

# Wimbledon courts the sporting princes

By Andrew Longmore Tennis Correspondent

OVERALL prize-money for the Wimbledon championships this year will be £3,874,450, an increase of 23 per cent on last year. The winner of the men's singles pocket a cheque for £230,000, £40,000 more than 1989, while the women's champion will be the richer by £207,000, an increase of £36,000 over last year.

But the increase in prizemoney, described by John Curry, the Wimbledon chairman, yesterday as "reflecting the financial success of the tournament", will not just go to the top. No player, from qualifier to finalist, will leave Wimbledon poorer than last year. First-round losers, for example, will receive £3,450, an extra £900 over last year.

In line with other grand slam events, doubles partners will get a bigger share of the prize fund, the men's champions splitting £94,230, nearly £30,000 more than Jarryd and Fitzgerald won last year. In addition, the daily rate paid to all players to help with the cost of travel and accommodation bas risen to £80.

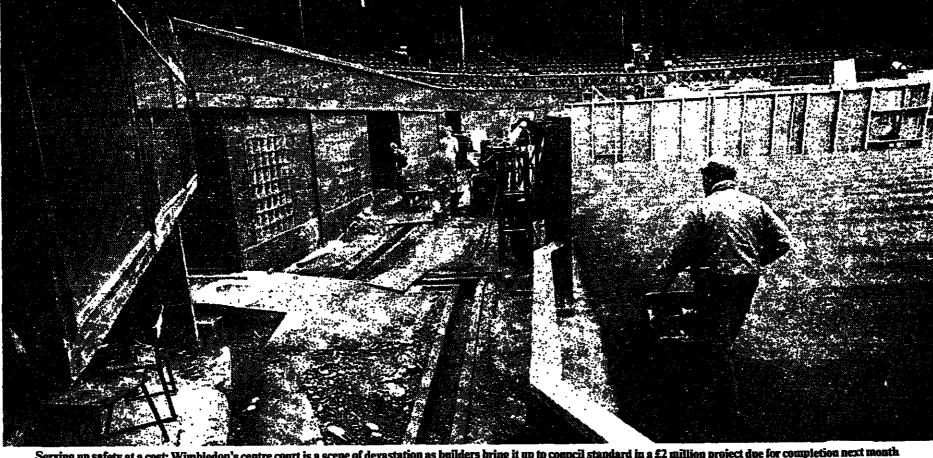
The rises keep Wimbledon ahead of the French Open (about £3.3 million) and the Australian, but behind the United States Open in purely financial terms. It also puts the Wimbledon champion well up in the league of sporting princes. The winner of the British Open golf championship this year will receive £85,000 from a prize level of our success fund of £825,000.

Anyone who wins that, with the adverse ex-

#### Wimbledon is an outstanding change rates, the overall inplayer and deserves outstand- crease in terms of dollars or, ing rewards," Curry said. more likely, given last year's

WIMBLEDON PRIZE-MONEY

1989 prize-money in trackets
TOTAL PRIZE-MONEY: 23,874,450
173,132,780



Serving up safety at a cost: Wimbledon's centre court is a scene of devastation as builders bring it up to council standard in a £2 million project due for completion next month

"There is no pressure on us to be highest among the grand is closer to 13 per cent. With profits of over £9 slams, but we have to be aware of the going rate internationally. The key factor in decid-

million from the champion-ships last year, Wimbledon can comfortably afford to match the increasing demands ing the prize-money is the of the players, who have But Curry did point out become used to competing for \$1 million in a week's work on the new ATP tour. But the drilling in the background as the prize-money was an-nounced and the scene of devastation on centre court told their own story.

> Safety improvements demanded by Merton Borough Council under the Safety at Sports Ground Act, which include replacing the tra- are still negotiating with the ditional standing area on centre court with seats, widening gangways and demolishing the scoreboard on the main concourse, will cost Wimbledon over £2 million this year and there will be more expen-

> West German double, marks, diture on safety in the future. "The increase in prizemoney could be hit next year and, realistically, looking further ahead, the safety requirements won't be any less in 20 years' time than they are today," Curry warned.

The more immediate concern for Chris Gorringe, the chief executive of the All England Club, is that the builders have completed their work by the end of May when the local council needs to issue its safety certificate for the championships. "There is still a lot to be done, but, at the moment, everything is on schedule," Gorringe said. "We council about the final capacities of the centre and number one courts. Within the last 24 hours, we have lost seats. "Put it this way" he added,

was very glad to see him return this week." Asked whether the time would come when it would be more economical to build a new centre court complex, Curry replied: "We are looking at "our ticket manager went on holiday to Tunisia last week. I these things all the time."

### Gould in the hunt for junior double

NICK Gould specializes in upsets (Andrew Longmore writes). ast year, he won the Prudential junior grass court title when unseeded; yesterday, again unseeded; yesterday, again unseeded, he reached the quarter-finals of the hard court championships at Wimbledon by beating Michael Wyeth.

Yet, even if he springs another surprise here, Gould's main claim to fame came last winter when he found himself practising with a dark-haired teenager from Florida named Jennifer

So what was Gould's verdict? "I beat her actually. She was very confident and very powerful, but her results on the professional tour have surprised me, considering the pressure she as under."
Gould, who played football

on course for a meeting in the final on Saturday.

for his county at schools level

for his county at schools level, today renews rivalry with Nick Adams, who beat him at the same stage in the Dewhurst Masters indoors recently.

Giles Gibson, also unseeded, joined Gould in the last eight, everpowering Mark Schofield, while the top two seeds, Andrew Foster and John Barton, stayed on course for a meeting in the

THIRD OIL SETUTION:
THIRD ROUND RESILITE: Boye's aleglear A Foster (Staffs) bt D Hinds (Surrey).
8-3, 8-2: M Marci-Legan (Scori) bt J Devidson
(Bucke), 8-0, 6-2; G Gibson (Dorset) bt M
Schofield (Lancs), 8-0, 6-1; R Holden
(Berks) bt J Buckley (Herts), 8-3, 8-1; N
Gould (Avon) bt M Wyath (Surrey), 6-3, 6-4; N Adams (Essen) bt G Saffery (Berks),
7-6, 8-2; P Cooper (Warwicks) bt D Ward
(Lent), 6-0, 8-4; J Barton (Essen) bt J
Philips (Essex), 8-0, 7-8, Girf's alingles: S
Bardley (Lincs) bt M Hughes (Wat), 8-0, 83; S Siddal (Dorset) bt J Pulin (Sussex), 6-0, 83; S Siddal (Dorset) bt J Pulin (Sussex), 6-1, 83; S Siddal (Dorset) bt J Pulin (Sussex), 6-1, 83; S Siddal (Dorset) by J Pulin (Sussex), 6-1, 83; S Siddal (Dorset) by J Pulin (Sussex), 6-1, 83; S Siddal (Dorset) by J Pulin (Sussex), 6-1

### Olazábal prices himself out

From Patricia Davies Puerta de Hierro

SOMETHING rather surprising is taking place at the Royal Club of Puerta de Hierro this week. Severiano Ballesteros and Jose-Maria Olazábal, the two best golfers in Spain, are both playing in their home country, competing together in the Madrid Open, which starts today.

Next week, Olazabal will be absent from the Spanish Open. also in Madrid. The tourname is being promoted by Bali-esteros's company, Amen Corner, and they have not seen fit to

pay Olazábal what he wanted in appearance money, as happened in Majorca earlier this year. Doubtless there are lots of intricate sub-plots involving machismo, pride, honour and misunderstandings, but, put crudely, the public perception is

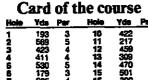
that Seve will not pay up.

That is not quite fair, for, as liever in appearance money.

#### **East Devon** opening for pro-am golf

THE Hennessy Cognac clubs championship, the largest pro-am tournament in Europe with prize-money of £33,000, continues at East Devon on May 10, with the first of 16 regional finals (Mitchell Platts writes). The winning team from each final will go forward to the national final, which will take place at Castletown, on the Isle of Man, from September 10 to

Mike Higgins, a former pro-fessional from the Cavendish Golf Club in Derbyshire, is, as the holder, automatically ex-empt for the final of the national long driving championship, sponsored by British Airways and Yonex, which will be held in



Out 3,424 35 \_\_ good friends and I think it's a pity he's not playing. Roddy Carr is in charge of the

Carr, who owns 50 per cent of Amen Corner and is the company's chief executive, confirmed that Ballesteros was not a party to the negotiations. Carr said that Sergio Gomez, Olazábal's manager, asked for three times as much as Ronan Rafferty, winner of the Order of Merit last year. He commented: "I don't think that's reasonable. I know it's Spain, but I know the going rates and you have to put your

in 3,549 36

**GOLF** 

roughly twice what Amen Corner were willing to pay.

European outings this season and been disqualified in the

major tournament or the Order of Merit," he said of next week's problems, "and there are a few people in front of me. I would love to play but it gives me a reason to improve, to go for bigger targets, an incentive. It is a pity that the European

Tour does not see fit to do away with appearance money al together and increase the prize money. The prize fund this we is a relatively modest £275,000 and it is a fair bet that Ballesteros, Olazábal, Ian Woosnam and Berghard Langer did The word is that the Olazabal not, sadly, turn up for nothing.

LAURA Davies, the former British and US Open champion, renews her rivalry with Marie-Laure de Lorenzi, the French professional, when the European women's tour launches its new season in the Valextra Classic, which begins at Olgiata

Davies and her British ots, Trish Johns Alison Nicholas, arrived in Italy from the United States, who they have been campaigning on the LPGA tour. Davies put up the best performance when finishing second in the Kemper Open last month.

Yesterday, she was reunited with both her clubs and luggage,

POLO NUMBER

new season

Willie Loyd on the high-goal scene.

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-previewing the

However, how any promoter can put on the Spanish Open and leave out Olazabal is bafwas second in the Order of Merit last season is not even on the list this year, having missed the cut in one of his two

They say I've never won a

### Davies ready to renew rivalry with De Lorenzi

which had gone astray for 24 hours, while De Lorenzi is hopeful she is now over the wrist

injury which plagued her last Despite having to curtail her season last year, she was able to retain her Woolmark Order of Merit title for a second year. "I took a five-month break from golf and the rest appears to have cleared up the tendonitis in my wrist," De Lorenzi, the winner of 12 European titles since

> ago, said. Sofia Gronberg, from Sweden, has also recovered from an eye injury, and is defending the title she won over the same won over the same

turning professional three years

#### Sherman aims for a trophy

By John Hennessy

captain last year, came from behind to take the lead in the Peter McEvoy Trophy for players aged under 18 at Copt Heath vesterday. With a 69, two under of 145, he stole one shot clear of tthew Ellis, of Wales.

Richard Hussey, of West Essex, aged only 16 and playing off four, ran away from the field with a 69 in the morning. With four birdies in a row, from the 11th, and two more at the 16th and 18th, he was five shots clear. It could not last. He took 80 in the afternoon and feil back among a cluster on 149. Sherman, aged 17, has a more

distinguished pedigree: he plays off scratch, was a member of the successful England boys team last year. He had dropped shots at the

last three holes in the morning and must have had fears of faltering again in the afternoon. True, he chipped in for a two at the short third, but three putts at the fifth and seventh carried him to seven over par for the day. Then his putter came to the rescue. He had to hole out from only 10 feet at the 11th, but luck was with him for his birdies at the 12th and 14th.

It is early in the season for true greens, and you need some good fortune as well as skill to roll the ball in from long distances. His three iron did no quite make the green at the 12th, but he took a putter from 30ft and down went the ball. At the 14th, from under a tree, he coaxed a nine iron to 40ft and again used his putter only once.

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LEADWG SCORES: 145: P A Shermen (Ashford), 76, 69, 146: M J Ells (Wesshem), 74, 72, 148: O D Leyton (Long Ashton), 76, 72, 146: M L Weich (Hill Valley), 74, 75; N W R Osmond (Long Ashton), 75, 74: D N Cottrell (Heaves), 76, 73; R B Hussey (West Essex), 63, 50, 152: L James (Broadstone), 76, 76: D P Chapmen (Bramall Park), 75, 76; B J Barlier (Reddish Vale), 77, 75; R H Watts (Stoke Poges), 75, 77; L J Westwood (Worksop), 78, 78, 152: I Pymen (North-ciffe), 77, 78.

#### Strokeplay invitation for amateurs THE Wilson Amateur Masters

nament announced yesterday, is to be played at the East Sussex National Golf Club on Septem-ber 18 and 19 (Mitchell Platts An invitational field compris

ing the leading 30 in the amateur order of merit and five sponsor's exemptions will compete on both the East and West courses. "The success of Great Britain and Ireland in the Walker Cup last year demonstrated the depth of talent we have in this country," Mike Johnson-Hill, Wilson's UK general manager,

will provide further high-class competition to help bring on the next crop of top amateurs. Wilson Sporting Goods, the sponsor, regards this event as an extension of the commitment towards the development of the British game.

# Falling foul of the textbook By Malcolm McKeap PACHTING YACHTING YACHTING YACHTING Tests 2500,000 in debt and a fortnight ago the club's Australian coach, John Dorahy, claimed in a local newspaper that one of the reasons the team had been playing badly was that a number of the players had not been paid. IT WAS shortly before mid-

Total

night, the night black and the stiff Force 6 kicking up a big. cold sea. Hayley's Dream, a Lightwave 395 that raced in last breeze, half-way between Land's End and the Rock itself and with on the weather rail, their backs to the only things they might have been able to see, the

cockpit and sails. In the cockpit, John West slid back the hatch, unclipped his safety-line and started to climb below; it was now so cold that he needed yet another layer before

taking over the wheel.

At that moment a high, flatfronted, white-topped wave, much larger than the rest, came Hayley's Dream and her crew wholly off-guard.
The yacht rolled through 70 and the wave took West and flipped him out of the hatch and procedures proving to be inad-

out through the lifetines with hardly a sound. Only a fellow crewman, standing at the bot-tom of the ladder, saw him go.

even to react, then the crew came scrambling off the rail to tack the yacht (better than a wild, barely controlled gybe out of the blackness to catch ery methods say) and begin the Hayley's Dream and her crew numbed search in the black sea. Miraculously, John West was found and safely recovered, despite most of the textbook

Hayley's Dream now has more safety features than her designer and builder felt it neccessary to include, her emergency equipment improvements and additions not (presumably) known to be necessary by its manufacturers.

#### East Germans step into the open united contingent for the Olym-pic Games in Tokyo but were

many in open competition for the first time will be watched with deep interest this weekend in Brussels (Sydney Friskin writes). Starting tomorrow they play-off series against Belgium: winner will qualify for the sixth European Cup tournan to be held in Paris in June, 1991. East Germany's activities had been confined to matches within the Eastern bloc, but the way is open to them to make their mark at higher levels of inter-

German side which had beaten West Germany in a play-off. This team finished fifth overall but was third in their pool having beaten The Netherlands 1-0 and drawn 1-1 with India, East and West Germany have gone their separate ways in hockey.

Belgium, who were second to England last weekend in the four

nations tournament, showed good form in beating Spain and Italy.

#### In 1964 Germany entered as a TODAY'S FIXTURES 7.30 unless states

**FOOTBALL** BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier di-vision: VS Rugby v Bromsgrove.
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First-class matches 11.30-6.30 LORD'S: MCC v Worcestershire,

BASKETBALL: Eurosport 12-2pm; High-BOXING: Screensport 12-1.30pm: High-lights of the WBA World and Severight championships Michael Watson (GB) v Mike McCallum (Jam) from the Albart Hall.

TO HISTORY Screensport 7-8am and 10.45pm-1am: Rational Hockey League: Play-offs: Divisional Hockey League: Play-offs: Divisional semi-finals: Eurosport 10ammentoy, 4-6 and 9-15pm: Word Championalsy, Highlights of Soviet Union V United States, United States, V Sunday and Wast Garrense v

**RUGBY UNION** 

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equate, inappropriate or simply wrong and despite much of the so-called safety gear failing to

first-hand experiences to be examined in detail at this Saturday's The Times-RORC Safety at Sea Conference, to be held in the Westminster Hall, London.

The Times/RORC Safety at Sea Conference begins at 10am on Saturday at the Westminster Hall, London. Tickets cost £25, including lunch and tea, and are available by telephoning the Royal Ocean Racing Club on 01-493 2248.

### league title, received the sponsors award for the player of the month of March on arrival from

Stuttgart, where Hounslow qual-ified for the cup-winners' cup final at Frankfurt on June 3. Both league cup semi-finals will be played on Sunday: Hounslow v Slough at Feltham and East Grinstead v Havant at Old Walcountians ground, Ban-

bridge University, has already been living in England for more

than two years and is keen to take the chance of some good quality competition.

It is possible that the couple may return to China when the degree course is completed. It is days are behind her, with her defensive style having become harder to employ following the legislation against combination bats in the mid-1980s. The national council of the English Table Tennis Associ-

#### **REAL TENNIS**

#### Page brought down to earth by Ronaldson

tournament, sponsored by Conrad Construction, earnington.
Phillips, who works

Canford School but is soon to become the Petworth professional, started well, taking the first two sets before Page began to impose his more precise and stylish floor game on him.

Page held three set points at 5-

4 in the third set and saved three match points at 5-5 before two sets all and 5-5, he trailed

ANDREW Page, of Petworth, saved six match points before claiming a cliffhanger of a victory over Adam Phillips, a young professional, in the world champion, Chris Ronaldson, Page held a set point former world champion. Chris Ronaldson, Page beld a set point at 5-2 in the first, before Ronaldson's experience proved decision

ation will consider Chen's eli-gibility in three days' time.

Jonathan Howell, the new Oratory School professional, avenged an unexpected defeat in the Scottish Open by Matthew Hayward, an Australian pro-fessional, by winning in three

SCIS.
RESKULTS: Singles (GB unloss stated): A
Page bt A Philips. 1-6. 5-6. 6-5. 6-2. 6-5. 6-2
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8-5; J Snow bt K (fing. 6-0. 6-1. 6-2.)
Howell bt M Heyward (Aus.). 6-3. 6-4. 6-5.
C Ronaldson bt Page. 6-5. 6-1. 6-5.

Matches played 14th April 1990

#### LITTLEWOODS POOLS, LIVERPOOL THIS WEEK'S SUPER £3-4 MILLION INCLUDES NORFOLK MAN WHO WINS \$439,167

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## Scottish goalkeeper high on Kendall's seasonal buying list

HOWARD Kendall, the man-favourites to sign Gary Mc-lands would not be in the best next season, now certain to be

national goalkeeper. Kendali met Alex Miller, the Hibernian manager, after Tuesday night's game against Celtic and although the talks were informal it is thought likely that the two men will enter into more serious negotiations at the end of the

If Kendall is to sign Goram, who joined Hibernian from Oldham Athletic three years' ago, he will have to establish a new British record transfer fee for a goalkeeper. Miller values Goram at more than £1.3 milion. "I regard him as the best goalkeeper in Britain and I do not want to lose him," Miller said,

if Goram moves to Maine Road, Oldham would stand to showing his hand yet. collect a six-figure sum as a . result of a clause in the deal when he left Boundary Park. he intimated that he felt that a

ager of Manchester City, has Allister, the Leicester City interest of his career. Glasgow began his preparations for midfield player. McAllister, a could very well be an entirely Scot, looks likely to choose the different proposition. in division one, by initiating librox chib when negotiations talks about Andy Goran, for his £1.2 million transfer are stepped up during the

closed season.

Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal are among the English chibs who have shown an interest in signing him but the arrival of Rangers on the scene could well be decisive.

David Pleat, the Leicester City manager, said yesterday that there would be no moves on McAllister's future at least until the end of the season and that no firm offers had been received. But McAllister's agent confirmed that Rangers had now expressed an interest. McAllister, who surprised Nottingham Forest earlier in the season by declining to join them after Brian Clough and

When he rejected Forest after discussions with Clough Rangers have emerged as move across the East Mid-

**Excellent Robins** 

is having his say

Pleat had agreed terms, is not

Clearly Rangers will have a strong pull with their successes each season, their regular involvement in Europe and the high terms which they can offer.

• Stuart Pearce, the England full back, is poised to sign a new long-term contract with Littlewoods Cup finalists, Nottingham Forest. Forest began talks with him last month soon after his international colleague, Des Walker, agreed to stay for a further three and a half years.

 Brighton have opened negotiations with Dynamo Minsk to sign Sergei Gotsmanov, a Soviet international player, on Soviet international player, on contract for next season. Brighton are willing to pay Minx around \$200,000 (about £125,000). Gotsmanov, aged 31, has pleased the manager, Barry Lloyd, since joining Brighton two months ago and has quickly become a favour-ite with the supporters.

#### Strike six for sorry Linfield

By George Ace

MARK Robins is having a say in the concluding stages of both major domestic competitions. Obviously not content with helping Manchester United into the FA Cup final, he scored both goals in a 2-0 win over Asten Villa at Oid Trafford on Tuesday night which curtailed the visitor's championship ambitions.

Before last night's match between Arsenal and Liverpoel, Villa remained one point behind the Merseysiders having played a game more.

By Louise Taylor

added: "Charlton will continue. We went bust in, 1984, and we will recover from this setback and challenge again. I am here I am briting an an ambition. In the second division, West Ham United's renaissance under Billy Bonds cominued as they moved to within a point of the play-off zone. First-half goals by Allen and Keen not only beat Ipswich Town 2-0, but extended West Ham's unbeaten run to six games. Since Bonds succeeded Lou Macan as manager seven weeks ago, West GLENAVON'S stay at the top of the Irish League lasted only a few hours on Tuesday. They leap-frogged over long-time leaders, Portadown, with a 5-0 win in the afternoon against the basement club, Distillery, but the Shamrock Park team trounced Newry Town 3-0 in a might march to so one point night match to go one point clear, with two matches

Linfield crashed to their sixth defeat of the season by Glentoran in as many matches,

played a game more.

Robins, aged 20, a graduate of the Football Association's national school at Lilleshall, has how scored six goals in United's last six matches, four of them table, Barasley collected a potentially precious point by general in as many matches, going down 3-1 at Windsor Park after leading at the interval.

Again, the lethal finishing of Gary Macartney—he has scored in every match against Linfield this season—was the vital factor in snuffing out Linfield's faint At the opposite end of the table, Burnsley collected a potentially precious point by drawing 2-2 at Watford, but ernemouth slipped closer to egation by losing 3-2 at home hopes of European football next

season.

Macariney put Glentoran ahead on the hour after McCaffrey had levelled the scores in the 56th minute, Spiers — substituted later by McKeown — conceding a free kick on the edge of the area after clumsily bringing Caskey down.

Macariney brought his tally for the season to 38 when he stabbed a low shot into the net following a deep cross by Campbell. place in 1986, after a 29-year During that defeat, Holmes, absence, was ended by a 2-1 the Bournemouth midfield defeat to Wimbledon at Seihurst player, became the twelfth member of Harry Redknapp's defeat to Wimbledon at Sethurst
Path on Thesday.

Ahead by virtue of goals by
Wise and Fashanu after only
eight minutes, Wimbledon were
always in command. "It is a sad
day," I knnie Lawrence, the
Charlton manager, said. "We
have had four years in the first
division. nlaving on someone

here has debilitated Redknapp's

else's ground in front of third squad to such an extent that division crowds—I do not think that will ever happen again in football. There is no shame in it. Nobody else operates in these circumstances."

Nobody else operates in these circumstances."

Peyton, the Republic of Ireland international graph are Campbell Next Wednesday the teams meet again at the Oval in the Cawoods County Antrim Shield

Leading positione: 1, Portadown, played 24, posts: 49; 2, Glenason, 24, 48; 3, Glemaren, 24, 43.

### He ended speculation about international goalkeeper, are his, and the club's, future as he presently absent. Strachan's pressing need to be fit

to Leicester City.

sence of eight years, has been, without doubt, the consistent performance of Gordon Strachan, the midfield player bought from Manchester United just before the transfer deadline

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after coming off the substitutes'

Charles Athletic's annual fination with relegation since regaining their first division place in 1986, after a 29-year

manager, could surely not have expected a player, now aged 33, to have taken part in every one of the 60 League and cup matches since his signing, an extraordinary record for a man, capped 42 times by Scotland,

By Martin Searby THE biggest influence in Leeds who has been the target of some United's impending return to the first division, after an abdedication to fitness which benefits from what he calls "acupuncture without the nee-dles". He was introduced to a routine of applying pressure to

"Bobby put me in touch with a Norwegian gentleman who specializes in this kind of treat-ment, which I have been having for the last two years. The lads at Elland Road have seen the routine and five or six of them have begin to have a go at it."

The treatment is based on just before the transfer deadline certain parts of the body by Bobby Charlton during his days
But Howard Wilkinson, the at Old Trafford.

The treatment is based on acupuncture principles, which maintain that there are pressure points in the body which control and stimulate muscle and nerve tone. Whether there is any scientific basis for it or not, the return on the investment of £300,000 made in Strachan is

#### FOR THE RECORD

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TAMPI, Florida: Wasser's tourremeant: Frest reams: S. Steens (Jug.) b: S. Statton (Jug., 6-4, 6-1, 7-6; S. Cacolina (Jug.) b: S. Statton (Jug., 6-4, 6-5, 7-6; S. Cacolina (Jug.) b: S. Fotz, (Jug., 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4, 1) Briggs bt N Ferrar, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

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### The tide turns for Nicolle

By Colin McQuillan over the wiry and experienced

I was in control."

successive win that would ex-

punge the Australian, Geoff Hunt, from British Open records Now Nicolle will fight

for that quarter-final place against Philip Kenyon, of Eng-land, who participated in the birth of Jahangir's career in 1979 when he lost the world final to the then unknown 15-

year-old from Karachi. Jahangir began his record-

ROSS Norman's descent in the world championship in 1980 reached a new low at Lambs Club, London, yesterday, when he was efficiently removed from the third round of the Hi-Tec British open championships by Jason Nicolle, a young England international, whose previous poor results this season had reduced him to thi national rankings. d him to thirteenth in the

Nicolle, aged 24, who was controversially selected for Eng-land in the world champion-Asia during which he played the best squash of his career, pinned the eighth-seeded New Zealander, in the back court for most of their 95-minute match. Nicolle won 3-9, 9-2, 9-6, 9-7.

"I lost my way a bit after the world championships," Nicolle said. "I moved to London and had a few personal problems. Now I am back in Nottingham where I can train regularly with good players and I have my off-court discipline back." Certainly, discipline was the key to Nicolle's first victory

Norman, whose dogged pursuit over two seasons ended Jahangir Khan's 51/2-year undefeated run in 1986. Only in the heart of the third and fourth games was Norman able to take over the front court and earn points with his decep-tive sharp cross-court work. "Ross is not quite the mover he was, and my movement today was as good as it was in Asia," Nicolle said. "As long as I kept the game moving and matched my court discipline to The result removed Norman from Jahaneir's path in pursuit of another record, the ninth

> and a lifetime ban for a second An anonymous European promoter has offered the ISPA a

with a conclusive win in straight games over Jamie Hickox.
REBULTS: Mee: Third round: \$ Boouro (Fin) at 8 Beeson (Eng), 9-7, 8-4, 3-8, 9-7; 1 Nicole (Eng) bt R Norman (NZ), 3-9, 9-2, 9-8, 9-7; Jaharger Khan (Pak) bt J Hickox (Eng), 9-4, 9-2, 9-5; P Kanyon (Eng) bt P Whitisck (Eng) 9-2, 10-8, 9-1; C Ditmar (Aus) bt A Davies (Wei), 9-7, 9-0, 9-0; P Kanyon (Eng) bt P Whitisck (Eng), 9-2, 10-8, 9-1. Women: Second round: M Martin (Aust) bt N Tainviewin (End), 2-2, 2-7, 9-1. with a conclusive win in straight

ers' Association (ISPA), who was fined a record £3,000 last month for missing the Finnish turned to office unopposed at the ISPA annual meeting at Lambs Club on Tuesday. The meeting agreed to adopt IOC drug abuse standards, with a £5,000 fine for first offenders

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CRICKET

### **Polished Adams** seizes chance for a maiden century

By Jack Bailey

FENNER'S (Cambridge University won toss): Cambridge University, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 316 runs bekind Derbyshire.

THE sun shone and it was almost cricket weather, and Derbyshire's irregulars gra-ciously accepted the hospitality implicit in Atkinson's invitation to them to bat first. On this evidence the Fenner's pitches are edging their way back to being the sort of beauties on which May, Dexter and Co used to rule the roost. So Derbyshire swept past 300

at the same time as young Adams, playing in only his ninth first-class match, scored a polished maiden century. Their 322 for four declared left the university with 12 overs to negotiate, a task successfully accomplished.

If Adams, who collected 12 fours during his stay of nearly three and a half hours, was the

only batsman to take full advan-tage, there were several others who staved long enough to enjoy themselves. O'Gorman made a brisk 50 from as many balls, an innings full of good strokes which left Barnett in his shadow

Barnett found the fielders too often for his liking and his timing was awry, but he stuck at it while O'Gorman and Adams blossomed. And then there was Kuiper. In South Africa, Kuiper is famous as a striker of the ball.

why that is. An enormous six over mid-wicket off the slow left-arm bowling of Buzza, and eight fours brought him to 50 inside an hour before he played

Pyman, who also accounted for O'Gorman, shared the four all the bowling, with Buzza. Pyman has a briskish pace, bowls virtually of the wrong foot, and is in danger of being over-bowled before May is out. Buzza takes less out of himself but 32 consecutive overs left century to his name, well as he bowled, and Atkinson might do well to re-think his pattern of bowling changes.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-78, 2-156, 3-241, 4

Total (no with). M J Lowrey, "J C M Aburson, M J Morris M Hooper, R A Pyrnan, †R J Turner, A Buzza, R H J Jenions and G A Pointer t

### Tavaré interrupts Oxford march

NUMBING coldness discon-NUMBING coldness disconcerted neither undergraduates nor seasoned professionals at The Parks yesterday. It was indeed an excellent day, Oxford's seam bowlers holding sway in the morning before Chris Tavare and Richard Harden, who made 99, enjoyed themselves to the extent of themselves to the extent of putting on 188 in 54 overs.

Oxford's side is reckoned to be their strongest since the days of Imran Khan and, indeed, Tavare himself. Is it a coincidence that they have available to them two Australians and two South Africans, one of them already a rugby Blue, or are the admissions tutors no longer shrinking by their own myopia? Unquestionably the four concerned are fine sports-

the former South African cap-tain but a Currie Cup cricketer none the less, kept up a brisk pace for much of the morning and, with Gerrans, one of the Australians, had Somerset teetering at 58 for three. It required all of Tavare's experience and knowledge of this square to pull the innings round. There was some uneven bounce, the legacy of oil having spilt on the pitch. It should be edded that this was to do with faulty machinery rather than renewed support for George Davis. Cook and Roebuck began with the first of what should be many sizeable stands this summer before they were

beaten by movement and extra bounce respectively. Hardy immediately sliced an attempted pull at Gerrans,

THE PARKS (Oxford University whose strict adherence to line won toss): Oxford University, and length could well have with all first innings wickets in hand, are 322 runs behind Tavare and Harden, in turn and the country of the coun circumspect against him and Van der Merwe, and extrava-gant when facing Henderson and Crawley, built an important parmershin.

parmership.

Tavarè settled for a score short of three figures, twice offering catches to boundary fielders before he was held at deep square leg. He struck 13 fours, as did Harden, who was acceptable interest on a continual certainly intent on a century. Having reached 99 he went for it in the grand manner, only to send up a skier to the bowler,

sity with half-an-hour's batting which, in murky light, they came through unscathed.

R Lefebvre, I Swaflow, N A Mallender and A N Jones did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57, 2-57, 3-58, 4-246, 5-277, 6-328. BOWLING: Van der Merwe 17-5-44-1; Henderson 17-1-92-2; Gerrans 24-8-56-2; Turner 11-2-4-41-1; Crawley 13-0-63-0; in 4-1-14-0

Total (no wid) M J Kilborn, G Turner, \*M A Crawley, P D Lurn, W M van der Merwe, S D Weele, I M Henderson, †J McGrady and P Gerrans to

Umpires: J D Bond and A G T White

Chance of glory

Warwickshire supporters will players in the nets during the club's open afternoon a

#### **TENNIS**

#### **Loosemore strolls on** while Durie struggles

From Barry Wood, Singapore

of Chinese origin, but is now a resident of San Diego. There is a nagging doubt about the true value of

Loosemore's apparently overwhelming victory, for her opponent was dreadful, could hardly hit a ball in court, and often refused to run, a result, perhaps, of playing a gruelling three-hour match the previous When Pawlik did put a couple Nastase competes

THERE were mixed fortunes for the British camp at the DHL Singapore Open yesterday, with Sarah Loosemore defeating Martina Pawilk, of West Germany, 6-0, 6-1, but Jo Durie losing 6-2, 6-3 to Hu Na, who is of Chicago partial but is a power of the p Durie rarely raised herself above the ordinary, but refused to blame her own tough match of the previous day. She was merely disappointed that she

"But I'm still very encourage by this tour," she said. "At least I'm qualifying and playing lots of matches, which is going to do me good in the end."

of decent shots together, Ilie Nastase will be one of the Loosemore did not always handle the situation very well. She
twice found herself down to
game point after leading 40-0,

SPORT IN BRIEF

#### A doughty Clarke out Glenn Clarke, of Australia, who was due to make his first

recovery appearance of the year for the Banana-Falcon team at Ports-ENGLAND'S 16-group schools rogby union side beat Portugal mouth, on Friday, in the opening round of the Scottish Provident city-centre series, has 23-14 in Famalico yesterday, confirming their good perfor-mance against the Italians last

England recovered from a 10-0 deficit with the help of two Homby, the Hymers' wing.

Island festival Teams from Austria, Belgium, France, Greece, Guernsey, Luxembourg, Malta, Spain, Switzerland and West Germany have been invited by *The Crick*eter magazine to play in a limited-overs festival in Guernsey from May 20 to 26.

ing to report her positions by

Extra coach Radio silence A penalty against Jelik for

ABERTILLERY have increased their rugby union coaching staff from two. to three as they prepare for the Heineken National League next season. Richard Barrell will be joined by radio has dropped the European yachting team into a share of the lead with Hong Kong in the Corum China Sea race series. Mike Cairns, the former club captain, and Adrian Barwood.

March and a £1,000 prize.

## **Backing for national lottery**

By John Winder

AN UNOPPOSED first reading in the Commons yesterday for a Bill which would re-establish a national lottery in Britain will be regarded by its many supporters — of all political persuasions, both in and out of Parliament - as a boost for their

campaign.
They will use the easy acceptance of the first reading of a Bill, which has MPs from both sides on its list of sponsors, to step up their fight to establish a lottery to bring in additional money for sport, the arts and environmental causes.

However, the National Lot-tery Bill, intended to provide £1 billion in extra resources each year, has little chance itself of further progress in the press of other private members' Bills. Kenneth Hargreaves, Conservative MP for Hyndburn, said that, while the national lottery had been the subject of abuse and had fallen into discepute by the middle of the last century, new technology and means of communication had again made

it a practical proposition. Other countries had lotteries Hargraves rejected fears which had funded the filming of about compulsive gambling.

the Olympic Games and the building of Sydney Opera House and Yale and Harvard Britain and Albania were now the only European countries without national lotteries.

"There is an urgent need for extra sports facilities for our young people," Hargreaves said. His intention was that the money raised would be in addition to that provided by the Government — not as a sub-stitute for the subsidy.

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# **SPORT**

# The door opens on Europe Game's rulers consider

From Peter Ball

AFTER an absence of five years, English clubs can start preparing for European competition again. The UEFA executive committee yes-terday confirmed last year's decision that the clubs will be Manchester United or Crystal allowed back next season. provided that the behaviour of England supporters at the World Cup finals is acceptable.

That may seem a large proviso, but Bert Millichip, the chairman of the FA. insisted after the meeting that unless anything untoward think it is the right decision," happens, the FA will nomihe said. "The ban was imnate clubs for the European Cap, Cup Winners' Cup and but I think we have learned UEFA Cup, although if the lesson since then, and Liverpool win the League there will be no entry in the "The headlines are now

The most likely beneficiaries at the moment seem to be Aston Villa, who will go in the European Cup if they win the championship, or more likely the UEFA Cup as the runners-up in the League. Palace will be nominated for the Cup Winners' Cup.

Graham Taylor, the Aston Villa manager, who was in charge at Watford when the club reached the third round of the UEFA Cup in 1983, welcomed the decision. "I am delighted we are back, and I he said. "The ban was imposed for the right reasons,

European Cup, the senior about the stabbings at the competition. Spanish Cup final. I am not saying that is right, but it shows that other countries have their problems and that England should not be the only nation to be banned because of the behaviour of its

> That behaviour will be carefully monitored in Italy, and the FA will also need the support of the Minister for Sport for the clubs' return to be accomplished. Even that, however, looks a less ominous requirement than it did, Millichip yesterday successfully persuading the com-mittee to redefine what it meant by the demand for a government guarantee.

> "It was a misunderstanding due to differences of lan-guage." Millichip said. "Of

guarantee, and what in effect absence had been sad for the UEFA wants is for the Minister to say that the FA has done everything possible over the intervening period since the ban was put in force."

There will be a meeting, possibly on the morning of the FA Cup final, between the new esident of UEFA, who will be elected at the congress meeting today, Millichip and Colin Moynihan.

Millichip was less successful in persuading UEFA that England should be allowed more than three clubs initially. But he did persuade the committee to say that it would look favourably on an application for Liverpool's ban to be listed a year after the first English club returns, a move that will be welcomed widely. Taylor said that Liverpool's

word tragedy in connection with sport," he said, "But it is certainly a mini-tragedy that Liverpool have not been competing in Europe for the past three years. They have had an outstanding club side and we should have been watching them against AC Milan and the rest.

We would have had Europe's best players, in some cases the best in the world on the same field in competition.

"I know that we are in the running for the League title and could be in the European Cup draw even yet, but you have to say that on the basis of their record Liverpool are the best in our country and they should be representing us in

# a plan for the future

THE picture of English football as a body with two heads facing in opposite directions may soon be out of date. A radical restructuring of the game, drawing the Football Association and the Football League much closer together, will be presented to the FA council meeting next week by Graham Kelly, the chief exec-

utive of the FA. The basis of the proposal is that instead of the 93 council members holding directorships, the FA's executive committee should be converted into the board of directors of a limited company, with the Football League playing an important part in the make-up of the new board. Behind this rather dry

description, however, are exciting possibilities. "This is a blueprint to take football through the Nineties and into the next century," Kelly said soon after his arrival in Malta yesterday afternoon. The main consequence will

be the coming-together of the FA and the Football League. No-one is using the word "merger" as yet, but Bill Fox, the League president, who has long argued that the two bodies should work much more closely together, and was in Maita as an FA delegate to the UEFA congress, confirmed that in the long term that is where the future lies. "It is vital that this change takes place," Fox said. "There has to be more integration."

Bert Millichip, the chair-man of the FA, said that in the last few years the two bodies had been working more closely, and he admitted that they bad partly been forced together in adversity following the Hillsborough disaster and the subsequent severe criti-

cism of the game's leadership. "I'm fed up with having the finger of responsibility #

# A hungry Thirties look about the Cowans innings

By John Woodcock

seven first-innings wickets in way to a run chase, which at hand, are 204 runs behind one time would have come on

NOT a lot happened at Lord's delayed by 24 hours. yesterday. After MCC's first innings had ended, half an hour before lunch, for 385, Worcestershire replied with 181 for three. It was cold again, but dry and occasionally sunny - a day for looking for ways of keeping

So far, then, 566 runs have been scored in the match for in the course of which he hit the loss of only 13 wickets, but it would be wrong to put that down entirely to the ball that is being used this season with its much-reduced seam. All but eight of the 169 overs pointless passage of play. have, in fact, been bowled at medium pace in its various forms, because for a lot of the his fielders back when Cowans time the ball has moved had the strike, not for the about. There has certainly catch but to give him a single. been no shortage of playing I wondered whether such a

How repetitive it does be- made before to someone come, though, when one over whose average in his previous is so much like the last and 182 first-class innings was next. It may not have been the tactics may be gauged from weather for leg spin, but we the fact that in their last nine could surely have been overs MCC scored 73 runs.

allowed an over or two of The next wicket fell in the Atherton's, if only as a gesture. last over before tea, by when The way the match is going. Curtis and the left-handed

LORD'S: Worcestershire, with the declaration, opening the Lord had made 81 together. Lord's dismissal was, of its kind, a gem. Shouldering arms with some style, he lost his the third day, will simply be middle stump to Lawrence, who, that very ball, had gone As entertaining as anything

yesterday, and as unexpected, round the wicket. was not the fast bowling of If, for most of the rest of the Norman Cowans but his batday, interest centred on Hick, ting. Without looking very Curtis still did his share of the scoring. He is a fortunate much like him, Cowans batsman who has the chance played the sort of innings that to partner regularly someone so accomplished yet calculat-Jim Smith might have done for Middlesex in the 1930s. By ing as Hick. And Curtis would making 46 not out in 23 balls. not be unaware of it. six fours and two sixes and took 20 off one over from McEwan, he relieved what

MCC: First Innings
M D Moxon e Rhodes b McEwan
M R Benson e Newport b Radford
"P W G Parker b Botham
M A Atherton tow b Botham
D A Reeva e Hick b Redford
TW K Hagg e Rhodes b Radford
U K Lawrence e McEwan b Radford
S L Watkin e Hick b McEwan was becoming, towards the end of MCC's innings, a rather believe it or not, even dropped

Total (3 witts) 181
17 Botham, "P A Neale, D B D'Oliveira, S
M McEvan, 15 J Rhodes, P J Newport
and N V Radford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-81, 2-165, 3-161.

### **Bonus for beaten England**

The Worcestershire captain.

concession had ever been

ENGLAND'S beaten cricketers, who flew home from the Caribbean yesterday, have received a £16,000 bonus from Tetley, the brewers, who sponsored Sky TV's coverage of the series in the West Indies.

Tetley has made the donation to the players' pool because of England's performance in the Test series. which was lost 2-1, but in which England had been expected to fare far worse than they did.

Originally, Tetley had offered a "bonus" of £160,000 to Graham Gooch's side if they won the Test series. England won the first Test in Jamaica, were denied a probable win by had weather in Trinidad. and

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eventually lost the series 2-1. Any possibility that Graeme Hick might be eligible to play for England in Australia next winter was scotched yesterday by the Test and County Cricket Board (Richard Streeton writes). Hick. who was born in Zimbabwe, began a seven-year residential qualifying period in April 1984. The TCCB stressed that he therefore became available to England only in April,

Hick told a Sports Writers' Association dinner in London he was uncertain about the precise date he would be qualified. He had been given several dates by various sources, among them late

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would have completed the statutory 210 days a year in England for 1990. The qualifying period, however, runs for a year from each April 3

In April last year, there was had not broken his qualifica-

tion period. Mark Saxelby, aged 21, the Nottinghamshire all-rounder, has entered hospital to undergo an operation to cure a kidney complaint.

a scare that he had breached his qualification by playing first-class matches in Zimbabwe in 1985-86. However, the TCCB ruled that because the status of the matches was not known at the time, Hick

#### Wounded **England** slip home quietly

ENGLAND'S battered the West Indies yesterday to a subdued welcome after a tour in which they were narrowly beaten by the world's leading side. A handful of supporters and autograph hunters greeted them with a round of applause

The captain, Graham Gooch, who has a broken left hand, is still in the West Indies on a short holiday. Of the other injured players, Allan Lamb, the vice-captain, has a hairline fracture of the left elbow, Nasser Hussain a sprained wrist, Wayne Larkins and Alec Stewart badly bruised fingers, Angus Fraser torn rib muscles, Robin Smith a fractured right index finger and David Smith a damaged

"I still believe West Indies are the best side in the world," Lamb said. "There is nothing more to it. They are a talented, experienced side and we probably didn't have the experience they have got and it showed at the end.

"We went out to play cricket and we played cricket. We may have come back defeated 2-1, which is disappointing, but every guy has given 200 per cent." tween any of the players, he added, despite the controversy reported in the Press.

They played hard on the field and we played hard on the field. We haven't come away with the success we would have liked but that is cricket. We went away with an experienced side and I think every guy has learnt a lot. I hope it has rubbed off and they will become better

Micky Stewart, the manager, confirmed that he would be recommending the captain and vice-captain keep their jobs for the next Tests. "Graham Gooch and Allan Lamb did exactly as I felt they would do, and even better," he said. "They handled things in times of success when it is easy and in times of adversity - on and off the field.

"I think every West Indian player and spectator would agree that the vast gap be-tween us has closed. The objective is to finish up as No. 1 again, and this is a

### Youngsters swing into action



Target golf: Michael Welch on his way to a two-round total of 149, four shots off the lead, in the Peter McEvoy Trophy for under-18s yesterday. Report page 46

## England 18 Group

Ireland 18 Group ...... THE Irish, playing with a fire,

pace and urgency that England England supporter would

Ireland looked the better ball alive, but the Irish tackling time and again snuffed formality.

out promising movements Ireland still had the time to out promising movements and the biggest difference stage a fierce raid with Hunter between the sides - speed to thrusting, the ball going the breakdown - became through seven pairs of hands more and more apparent.

Hastings is forced out SCOTT Hastings yesterday has damaged ankle ligaments.

from an injured wrist. A

Richard Hill, the England Dancia will take over from scrum half, has been brought Peytavin in the backs, but into the Home Unions team Favre's replacement has not to replace Robert Jones, who been announced.

Irish fire scorches England before the Irish scrum-haif, straightforward penalty. Early in the second half Ireland restored their nine-Downes, fed his prop, Parker,

who scored, carrying a couple of Englishmen over the line. Garvey converted. They increased their lead could not match at lifley shortly after when Downes Road, Oxford, yesterday evening, achieved a superb win by scrums base, Cable fell for it a goal and three penalties to a and Humphreys kicked the inches from touch, sailed goal. Even the most loyal goal from nearly 50 yards out. England had to wait 25

have had to admit that the minutes for their first visit to scoreline slightly flattered the the Irish 22, but it was a profitable one. Bracken passed to Edwards, who went through organized side with their back the Irish centre as if the row and half-backs dominant, opposition was not there to England tried hard to keep the score near the posts, making McCarthy's conversion a

before Casey was tackled; There was a frenetic quality England went over the ball

pulled out of the Four Home Hill will resume his England Unions rugby side to play the half-back partnership with Rest of Europe at Twick- Rob Andrew in the game to enham on Sunday, suffering raise money for Romania. replacement has yet to be Favre and Pierre Peytavin, European side. Michael

Two Frenchmen, Patrice. have dropped out of the

point lead. Collins, supported by Wallace, stormed down the left touchline; England again went over the ball when they were checked and Humphreys' superb kick, taken England, needing two

scores, came close when Davies broke in the centre but Mapletoft dropped what would have been a scoring pass. Their last hope of a try came seconds from the final whistle when Griffiths broke several tackles before the ball was knocked on inches short

of the line.

SCORERS: England: Try: Edwards. Conversion: McCarthy. Ireland: Try: Parter. Penelties: Humphreys (2), Garvey. Conversion: Garvey.

ENGLAND: M Maplestoff (Lowrence Sherriff; J Belton (Mount St Mary's; ray: M Devise (Poynton HS); D Edwards (Potenting). B Devise (Control of Magan St Branden's Coll., D Richards (Shipelo Coll., R Cable (Vyners: ray: A Williams, Queer's, Taurkoril), M Winght (Shambook Upp), J Devise (Bon Coll; rep: D Wyw-Roberts, Bedford), J Griffithe (Crossley Heath HS), E Rolles (St Paul's). MELAND: R Garvey (De La Saller; D O'Dowd (Rockwell Coll), R Casey (CBC Coris), R Huster (Methodist Coll, Selfast), D Humphreye (Bellymens Aced, captain), F Downes (Crescent Coll Comp); P Pactor (Royal Bellast), B Mellace (Crescent Coll Comp), L Telend (St Cerment's Coll), N Hobas (Cissardian Coll), R Wilson (Royal Bellast), F Butter (Blackotock Coll). Referee: C Norling (Walse).

#### Truce called in battle for St James's Park

of Newcastle United Football Club made its peace on Tuesday with the rebel group which had been attempting to seize control at St James's Park.

A power struggle which had divided both senior management and supporters of the second-division club ended when John Hall, the millionaire property developer who had organized the Magpie Group, accepted an invitation to become a director in place of James Rush, who is to remain as vice-president of the club.

Hall said that he had settled his differences with Gordon McKeag, the chairman of United, and pledged to work "tirelessly" to help restore the club's image.

The Magpie Group was formed in 1988 to challenge the United board and to reflect the views of many supporters who had declared themselves disenchanted with the apparent lack of progress being made under the chairmanship of McKeag.

was never in a position to

assume total control and

AFTER two years of ac-rimony, the board of directors Hall a directorship must be construed as a conciliatory act

Hall a directorship must be by McKeag. "I have not become a director for personal kudos. I

am looking forward to working alongside all of my fellowdirectors because we are all aiming for the same thing," United hope to announce a

£2 million public share issue by the end of this year and Hall said he would urge supporters to consider taking up the offer. "I am asking the fans to put

their hands in their pockets. They must take up the challenge and have a say in the running of this great club," he said. McKeag said: "We are all delighted that he has accepted our invitation. All the differences have now been

Jim Smith, the team manager, added: "I am very pleased that peace has broken out. The timing is perfect because promotion is just around the corner." Newcastle Although the group purchased an estimated 40 per the second division, three cent of the shares in United, it points behind Leeds United. United are in second place in the second division, three

pointed at me when there are areas over which I have no control," Millichip said. "We have had to work together and this will be the way for us to do so. I would like to carry on in the chair until we get this proposal passed, and I have already told the FA that I am putting my name forward for

#### **Advocates** of change in snooker baulked

By Steve Acteson

THE board of the World Professional Billiards and Association Snooker (WPBSA) has failed, albeit narrowly, to persuade the membership to accept swingeing changes in the constitution designed to open up the game.

As a result of yesterday's extraordinary general meeting at Sheffield the women's world champion, Allison Fisher, will not be invited to ioin the professional circuit next season and she is to consider her future in the game.

The proposals were passed by the required two-thirds majority of the 51 members present. But constitutional changes require the approval of 75 per cent of the fulimembership and only 63 per cent voted in favour.

All the proposals were lumped together as one resolution and there is a feeling that had they been taken separately some, notably the one to give the 30 top amateurs, plus four from abroad, professional status next season, would have been passed. Equally, it is likely that the proposals to restore tournament status to the 31 players who have lost it and to the 13 "billiards only" DEAYERS

rejected. Asked why the proposals had been put together, the WPBSA chairman, John Spencer, said: "I don't know. In hindsight I would have preferred them to have been separate."

In June the 30 amateur hopefuls will begin play-offs to determine the 10 of their number who will play the lowest-ranked professionals for places for next season. The best known player in danger of losing his position, is Fred Davis, aged 76, world champion eight times.

#### White still unhappy after a win

By Steve Acteson

JIMMY White, the fourth seed, hastily completed a 10-4 Embassy world championship first round victory over Danny Fowler, a qualifier, at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, yesterday and then fled to the practice table.

White, not known for his dedication to honing his skills, said it was at least four years since he had prepared as intensively for a world championship. This was not, however, because he is stung that Steve Davis and Stephen Hendry, rather than Davis and himself, are considered the prime contenders. White said: "I was disappointed that it was like that last year. But Stephen has proved his point and you have to go with the men in form."

Despite the lopsided scoreline, White, aged 27, was anything but happy with his own form for Fowler was completely out of touch. John Parrott, runner-up to Davis last year, was put under intense pressure by Dean Reynolds before breaks of 56

and 36 in the last frame enabled him to level at 4-4.

Chabled him to level at 4-4, REBULTS: First round (England unless stated; J White of D Fowler, 10-4, Frame scores (White first; 69-39, 88-20, 18-28, 81-1, 66-40, 28-62, 38-74, 75-12, 77-44, Frame scores (Parrott first; 33-78, 32-87, 58-48, 69-21, 78-30, 31-68, 50-80, 92-4, Treactary's late massit: A Meo tr W Jones (Wall, 10-8, Frame scores (Meo first; 44-33, 55-78, 72-8, 28-65, 91-29, 46-82, 77-21, 18-78, 59-57, 91-12, 2-68, 68-62, 28-71, 62-30, 61-38, 75-63, 34-65, 71-28, 70-62, 70-72, 18-78, 59-57, 91-12, 2-68, 68-62, 28-71, 62-30, 61-38, 75-63, 34-65, 71-28, 70-62, 37-72, 18-78, 59-57, 91-12, 2-68, 68-62, 28-71, 62-30, 61-38, 61-32, 51-38, 61-32, 61

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